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Weekend brings family and students together

By Bria Andrew



Wesleyan College was overtaken by parents October 1-3 as the campus took part in Fall Family Weekend 1999. The event was sponsored by Student Government Association (SGA), and the weekend was intended to show parents and family of Wesleyan students what campus life is like. Registration began at 3 PM on Friday, with Senate members handing out "goody cups" and information about Macon and the surrounding area in the lobby of Olive Swann Porter. An ice cream social was held Friday night in the Rec Room to give the parents a chance to meet other students and their families.

On Saturday morning, the parents played against the students in a rousing game of softball that was, in the opinion of this observer, rather ill-matched: a field full of aggressive fathers opposite their Wesleyan daughters while the mothers sat in the stands cheering for everyone out in the hot sun.

Lunch was served compliments of Senate in the dining hall at noon, and while everyone dined, the International Club put on a fashion show that displayed beautiful original garments from countries all over the globe.

The next event in Oval Hall was a performance that allowed the Wesleyan community to showcase its diverse talent of dance and song. The Wesleyan Expressions Dance Company, Harambee African

board Band delighted their captivated audience.

Following the performance, the Wesleyan Parents Association, formerly the Parents Advisory Council, held a committee meeting to discuss the upcoming activities for the year. They then proceeded to the President's House for wine and cheese and were served dinner of the second floor porch of Wortham.



After dinner, Heart to Heart played at an Oldies Bash out at the Loggia sponsored by CAB. This event was heavily attended not only by students and their families, but also represented by staff and faculty families. For example, the Rowans came with their daughter, Amanda, and Tracy McFarland brought her daughter, Natalie. Both of these families and their children



added a special delight to those who see these children as part of Wesleyan and its spirit of family and sisterhood. This event is also very special because it is always wonderful to see parents and family bond. Many people captured these precious moments by taking advantage of the photographer who was provided by Senate.



On Sunday morning, an ecumenical worship service led by Reverend Hurdle took place in Porter Auditorium. Student speakers included Katie Sidwell, Jennifer Jenkins, Melissa Lockert, Erin McGavin, Hannah Callender, and Missy Graham. The Gospel Choir performed and was well-received by the audience. At the close of the service, Wrennie Perry played the Alma Mater on the piano as the audi-

ence sang.

All in all, Fall Family Weekend was a successful endeavor. Parents and families took the opportunity to participate in the lives of their Wesleyan children, and the Wesleyan students welcomed the opportunity to share. The families seemed to enjoy their glimpse into the lives of their daughters, and we, Wesleyan women, were able to show our families how we live here at Wesleyan.

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Editorials

The Editors Desk:

Each new year brings something exciting and different. This year has brought a lot of these things. The Golden Hearts have experienced the changes of living away from home and making decisions on their own. The PK's lavished in teaching the Golden Hearts all about Sisterhood. The Pirates became big sisters, and the GK'S officially became seniors.

Here at the Pioneer staff, we have run into a lot of new, exciting, and different things, not to mention the unexpected. 1999 has come with a new editor, a dedicated staff, and a great new opportunity. This opportunity stretches to the faculty and ad-

ministration. This is the chance to stand up and voice your concerns, opinions and even those things that you like. That's what this college newspaper is about.

The Pioneer's goal is to allow the students, and everyone else, a chance to open up their minds and speak. It is about representation. While the yearbook can show the year in review, and the creative arts magazine gives the "artistically" talented a voice, the newspaper is the voice of the students and its surrounding community in the present.

Each form of journalism: the yearbook, newspaper and the creative arts magazine, are effective in their own medium, but they are only as effective as their members will allow it to be. While

this school year has brought obvious changes to *The Pioneer*, the *Veterropt*, and the *Creative Arts Magazine*, none of these changes will be worth anything unless the ladies of Wesleyan College make something of it.

I personally would like to encourage everyone interested to take an active part. It will be very important to your future and the history you take away from Wesleyan. Trust me. I don't say this because I'm editor of the paper. I say this because in the past three weeks I have already learned skills that will be necessary for living in "the real world." So now I'm going to get off that so called soap box and continue to do whatever it takes to put out a good paper that is a representation of what Wesleyan is and has to offer.

Tomorrow will you still call me your sister?

A dear friend of mine recently reminded me of a quote I hadn't heard in a long time: "The road to hell is paved with good intentions." In the light of recent events, I was quite intrigued by her comment. It made me think about more things than just the current events. You see everything that happens involves my sisters. I am ashamed to admit that for one moment I doubted that I could still call them that. For an instant, I forgot what sisterhood is really about.

Sisters at Wesleyan are a special breed. They are not the kind of sisters put together by birth; they are sisters with common goals and interests. Like real sisters though, we can all do things with the best of intentions that come out completely wrong. It's obvious that we are all very different, but it doesn't really matter. When you get to the heart of the issue, sisterhood is about love.

Life March for most of us is the beginning. It is the first time we truly enter the sisterhood that thrives here. The path of sisterhood is not an easy one. There are many roadblocks and obstacles in our way. None of us are perfect. There is not a single one of us who could say we have always been right or that we have a never been to blame for a pain in

sister's heart. However, most of us can say this- we worked through the tears.

If a sister does something you deem foolish, or if her lifestyle is different, or her hair a little odd, or her body slightly pierced, or even if she is all of the above; are these really grounds for ostracism?

We sing sister songs at every pep rally, but are those words empty? When something goes wrong do we simply abandon those sisters involved? I have seen it in every class. Whether it is learning to accept differences, dealing with class leaders, or trying to regain trust, a lot of us give up way too easily. We can never truly be sisters if we are simply going to give up. My heart breaks with the tears of the sisters I have seen crying in pain at the hands of cruel words and resentful looks. Most of us are guilty of biddy comments and sarcastic words.

Here is the thing: those words and comments only tear us apart. Wesleyan is like any other college without its sisterhood. Not one of us can stand and claim innocence, not me and not my dearest of friends. We have all hurt and been hurt. We have a choice though, each class Green Knights, Golden Hearts. We can let the Pirates, Purple Knights, and

way to increase visibility and raise awareness about the lesbian, gay, and bisexual communities. Wesleyan College's GLBAL organization celebrates its own Coming Out Week from October 4 - 8 with a variety of activities designed to raise awareness and celebrate the often-overlooked gay and lesbian influences on campus.

Basically, National Coming Out Day is a good excuse to consider some issues, whether you think they directly affect your life or not. If you are gay or lesbian, are you comfortable with yourself? Do you want to share that part

little things get in the way or we can change where the path of good intentions leads. If we work together instead of trying to rip ourselves apart, imagine what we could do.

I know each class has its own problems. I live here and it's hard not to notice. Regardless, when it all comes down and all the petty nagging, anger, and hurt is brushed away, we all love each other. Maybe we wouldn't give our lives for every person on campus or something as extreme as that but ninety-nine times out of a hundred, when a sister suffers we all suffer.

Thank you to my sisters for reminding us of that. We are all in this together. We can either live in the past or look forward to the future. As for me? I apologize wholeheartedly to all those people I have ever hurt. I am proud to call every person on this campus my sister. We may not always get along but that's no matter. When you really look back, the smiles outweigh the tears, the encouragement outweighs the criticism, and the love outweighs the anger. Just remember this quote: "I never knew that looking back on the times I cried I'd laugh and looking back on the times I laughed I'd cry."

-Kathleen Byrd

of yourself with your family and/or friends? If you are straight, there's still room for you to celebrate! Maybe you have a gay family member, or fellow student, or just a really super hairdresser. How would your life be different without them?

National Coming Out Day provides an excellent time to consider your own feelings about sexuality and more worldly issues like social inequalities and outdated prejudices. While there's no right or wrong attitude to have, an open one is always appreciated.

-Erin James

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GLBAL celebrates

October is a month chock full of holidays. There's Columbus Day and Halloween, but did you know about Name Your Car Day (Oct. 2)? National Bologna Day (Oct. 24)? International Moment of Frustration Scream Day (Oct. 12)? My favorite ever, is National Coming out day held annually on October 11. The Human Rights Campaign devised it as a

Op/Ed

Wesleyan enjoys the best of the insect world

There are ants in Wortham. Huge, massive armies of ants that march in under baseboards and invade a girl's privacy. I'm afraid to go to sleep at night. I can just see lines of ants marching up onto my bed, across my face, and up into my nose. Then down they go, down into my lungs, crisscrossing through the internal caverns of my body until they come out through my ears. It's not a particularly pleasant thought. Not any more so than the idea of putting on my shoes in the morning and feeling thousands of tiny insectoid bodies squoosh beneath my toes. Yuck. I'm sure it's going to happen sometime soon, too. (How can it not happen with so many of the little buggers all over the place?)

I've gone into a sealed-with-plastic frenzy. Ziploc bags, Rubbermaid boxes, Saranwrap - anything that'll prevent those horrid six-legged creatures from sniffing out my snack stashes and coming to invade and conquer. I'm even thinking about laminating my bedsheets. I've considered a plastic suit for myself, but I haven't been able to find one yet. (At least, not one that's gonna enable me to continue to breathe.) Not that I'm afraid that they'll devour me in my sleep (they can't do that, right? You're sure?), I'm just trying to ensure my personal safety. Wouldn't want ants in my pants, you know. (Or do you? I'm sure some girls might enjoy the sensation... but not me. I'm not that horny. Yet.)

And what no maintenance man wants to admit is that these are Biting Ants. That's right, ladies. These suckers pack a mean sting. I'm all about shaking everything - bedclothes, socks, jeans, shirts - before inserting my body into them. Having never been bitten by an ant before, there's no guarantee that I'm not allergic. I can just see myself swelling up into a bumpy knob of what used to be a girl but now looks more like a female version of the Hunchback of Notre Dame. (How's a girl supposed to go to the clubs or even impress her Spanish professor looking like that?) You know that's not gonna be attractive. No, ma'am!

Wait, I've got an idea. Halloween's approaching and with all the cos-

tumes spilling out of stores, maybe I could dress as an ant and go underground to destroy their hostile takeover maneuvers from the inside. Watch out for Queen Rachel! ... Anyone know how to speak Antese? (OK, so maybe that's not a good idea - I have enough trouble trying to keep one pair of thighs in shape. Having six legs does not appeal to me. But they'd be incredibly sexy legs... antwise.)

After trying ant traps, a large variety of insect sprays, pepper, hairspray and the like, I'm pretty sure I'm going to hafta call Maintenance first thing in the morning and demand backup. I just can't do this alone anymore.

However, this whole mess could be much worse. I hear Banks has cockroaches.

-Rachel Garman



Bile: The place to vent.

"Okay, I don't really like to complain about our cafeteria because it is good about 80% of the time, but those pork chops last night were absolutely inedible. The alternative, black bean and rice, has been served about every day since we got here. I hope they never serve that again. Thank you for listening to all the complaints!"

"Ok here is what I am really ticked about...the bookstore charged me \$94 for a book...I just looked and I could have gotten it at amazon.com for \$38.40!!!"

"Why is it that all of a sudden the faculty and staff can read 'Wes Students'?"

"Know what pisses me off? Being lied to. I hate being told by Financial Aid that my award letter will be in my mailbox that night, and two weeks later they STILL haven't even looked at my file, much less started on it. I hate waking up every morning and wondering if my aid money will come through in time to keep me from being thrown out of school. I absolutely cannot stand that my anxiety over this is causing me to seriously wonder where I'll go if I am kicked out, since I have no family to fall back on and no

place to go."

"I live in Persons front campus. It is very irritating to have to park sometimes in the HIGHTOWER parking lot! Persons has very few parking spaces. It supposedly has a parking lot but half of that belongs to the faculty and staff. Additionally, I love our RAs, but in Wortham and Persons combined there are 6 RAs if I'm not mistaken and about 50 RA parking spaces; perhaps a little exaggeration a little on the last one but the point is that the RA parking spaces outnumber the number of RAs. My suggestion would be to either open the field behind Persons and Wortham into a parking lot or to give us our old ones back."

"I can not eat in the caf because every time I have eaten in there in the past, I have gotten sick. So in addition to me having to pay for the school's food plan, I have to buy my own groceries. Why not use those nifty little scanners everyone was forced to get at the beginning of this year to decide who should and should not pay for the food plan?"

"Why is it that as the tuition goes up, your scholarships stay the same?"

Sanguine: The place to share your joys!!!!

"It makes me happy to have such a talented and committed staff." - the editor

"An evening just sitting on the couch watching old movies with my best friend, eating ice cream, playing cards and just enjoying each other's company. Just laughing, talking and having a good time."

"My own pack of cigarettes and intelligent conversation."

"I am very thankful for the strong Christian spirit that can be felt on this campus. I find it everywhere, in good times and bad. It helps to strengthen my belief in the power of God's love and in the strong bond of sisterhood that can transcend all time and circumstance. I thank God everyday for my Wesleyan Sisters!"

"one thing that makes me happy is the love that is given and received by my sisters here on campus...I know that whenever I am extremely upset or extremely happy, I can find a sister out there to cheer me up or share

my sunshine...But isn't that what sisterhood is all about?"

"Under these clothes, I'm as naked as a bee."
- Jon Lovitz

"It makes me happy to know that I have true friends here who love me enough to make sure I don't walk out on them because I thought it would be easier.. You ladies truly epitomize sisterhood! I love you!"

"Christie Mac, Lauren, Bethany, and Robyn make my heart smile."

"I am so very glad that I do not attend Agnes Scott!!!!"

"The volleyball team and the soccer team are both wonderful and awesome! Good luck, ya'll!"

"I am glad that Fall Family Weekend went well and that it is over. Now I can bring my cigarettes back out and look at all the stuff they got me from the mall!"

"The color PURPLE makes me happy!"

News

S-I-S-T-E-R-S, Sisters, sisters are the best

By Laura Tarman

Wesleyan Students celebrated Sisterhood Week from September 26 through October 1. The Pirate class sponsored daily activities designed to get students to appreciate and enjoy sisterhood.

On Monday students were encouraged to dress up in answer to that eternal question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Wesleyan students around campus could be seen proudly dressed as firewomen and astronauts.

Tuesday was Make-Believe Day. Fairies and princesses walked alongside aviator pilots, lending an air of whimsy and wonder to the day.

Wednesday students chalked the Fountain, leaving loving notes for big sisters and classmates. The messages, cheerfully decorated with flowers and squig-

gly lines, lasted for nearly a week. On Thursday students sent Snail Mail to their sisters. "I forgot almost everything, but I put a note in my big sister's box," said Malissa Hendrix. Thursday night, students played Sister Games around the fountain, and exciting class softball games kept the feelings of sisterhood and friendly competition alive.

"Sisterhood week is very important to Wesleyan traditions, and I am looking forward to the day when I can be a big sister myself," said Golden Heart Lisa Wilson.

On Friday students were asked to wear the colors of their sister classes. As evidenced by the number of participants, the week was a huge success. School spirit ran high and kept the themes of Sisterhood Week in the minds of all students.

New Student Affairs adds life to campus

By Jennifer Jenkins

Wesleyan College has the privilege of welcoming four new staff members to the Student Affairs community. The newcomers fill the positions of Vice President for Student Affairs and Directors of Health Services, Counseling, and Student Activities. This year, Student Affairs has adopted what is known as the Wellness Model, which seeks to make connections between services offered through Student Affairs and the intellectual experience gained in college, as well as foster the development of well-rounded students.

About the new staff...

Dr. Renee Gravitt Leake - Vice President for Student Affairs Education: Doctor of Education, Curriculum and Instruction/Higher Education Administration - University of South Carolina Educational Specialist, Counselor Education - University of South Carolina. Master of Education, Community and Occupational Programs in Education - University of South Carolina. Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration - University of South Carolina.

She wants all Wesleyan students to know: "This year we're going to work toward the development of The Wellness Model so that students may have a better beyond-classroom experience. We're hoping that this model enables stu-

dents to learn and grow in different ways. We are new, and we appreciate the help that we are receiving from everyone. We're excited about the new year and each student should know that that the staff is there whenever they are needed."

Renie Porter - Director of Student Activities. Education: Master of Education, Secondary Education - University of Alabama at Birmingham. Bachelor of Science, English - Vanderbilt University.

She wants all Wesleyan students to know: "I'm glad to be working here and excited about the new year. I'm here to help individuals or organizations with anything that can be done."

Tamara Martin - Director of Counseling. Education: Master of Human Relations - University of Oklahoma. Bachelor of Psychology - University of Oklahoma.

She wants all Wesleyan students to know: "Any problem big or small, I'm glad to listen."

Nettie L. Baker, R.N. - Director of Health Services. Education: Bachelor of Science, Nursing - Georgia College and State University.

She wants all Wesleyan students to know: "I am very approachable. I have hospital and home health background. I have an open door policy and students me a call with any health questions or concerns."

Wesleyan adds four new faculty members

By Jennifer Jenkins

Several new professors recently joined the Wesleyan faculty. Through recent interviews with several Wesleyan students, however, I have discovered that the new faculty are already making positive and valued contributions to our campus. It seems that everyone enjoys their new professors immensely and are glad to have them. Here are a few of their thoughts:

Ayesha Crossman on Dr. David Bobbitt - "Dr. Bobbitt is very good at leading class discussions. He never belittles a student's opinion; instead, he allows students to see issues from different points of view. He also has a very good sense of humor." David A. Bobbitt, Associate Professor of Communication. B.S., University of Tennessee; M.A., University of Memphis; M.A., University of Iowa; Ph.D., Louisiana State University.

Nisshat Hamid on Dr. Stephen Curry - "He always makes time for students after class and is very helpful." Stephen Burton Curry, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science. B.S., M.A., University of Alabama; M. Ed., University of Montevallo;

Ph. D., Auburn University.

Rachel Fredricksen on Dr. Mark Hampton - "Dr. Hampton proposes questions that make me think. He makes statements that make me challenge my own views." Mark Hampton, Assistant Professor of History. B.A., Middle Tennessee State University; M.A., Ph.D., Vanderbilt University.

Arletha Williams on Barbara Schrimshire - "A wonderful education teacher. She takes time to let us understand what our topics are about." Barbara Schrimshire, Associate Professor of Education. B.S., B.A., Eastern Michigan University; M.S.Ed., Ph.D., Clemson University.

With each new faculty member comes new possibilities. Classes that were offered only once a year may now be offered twice. If the faculty is enhanced enough, majors and minors that were never offered here at Wesleyan may become a part of the standard curriculum. Wesleyan College is able to move into the next millennium only with the cooperation of understanding administrators, motivated students, and generous and enthusiastic faculty members.

Dorms get a makeover

By Brandy Heineman

Until last year Wesleyan's dorms were not considered among the best. There were some rooms that had holes in the walls that had been there for years, and there were many other problems throughout every dorm on campus.

Now after an extensive renovation in every dorm on Wesleyan's campus, the dorms are modern and comfortable. The addition of the apartments also increased the college's housing capacity by ninety-six students.

When asked why the dorms were renovated, Marjorie Willingham of Physical Plant replied, "It simply needed doing." The buildings that needed the most work were renovated first, so extensive work began in Persons in 1998, followed by the rest of the buildings last year and this past summer.

Wortham and Persons now have suites with a bathroom adjoining every two rooms. Banks also received a facelift with new carpets, furniture, and floors. Hightower and Jones, nicknamed

"the Projects" and "the Ghetto" by their residents, received new carpets, paint, and better showers for every room.

Not everyone is pleased with the situation. Living in the dorms is more expensive now that these changes have been made. Other upperclassmen are concerned that separate bathrooms may hinder the development of friendship within the members of the First Year class who live in Wortham Hall. The older students laugh about some of the great memories and friends they made on trips to and from the bathroom. First Year students have noticed this as well. The students that live in Banks seem to know each other and who lives on their halls much better than the ladies of Wortham who may not be able to name everyone on their floor.

In spite of these concerns the newly renovated dorms and the new upperclass apartment are lovely and add a good amount of beauty to the campus. Persons, Wortham, Banks, Hightower, and Jones are all more comfortable with the vast new improvements.

News

Wesleyan's Financial Aid Working Overtime

By Laura Tarman

For the students and the financial aid office of Wesleyan College, the past few years have been very frustrating. Many students have had trouble getting their financial aid awards processed and finalized.

"The entire financial aid staff and I are very aware of the problems that have frustrated students and their families," said Jonathan Stroud, Vice President for Enrollment and Marketing and Dean of Admissions.

Before the 1998 fall semester, the financial aid office was very understaffed, leading to financial aid problems. To complicate matters, during the 1997-1998 school year two of the directors were employed for only a few months each. For the beginning of the 1998-99 academic year there was no professional financial aid staff to handle the new students and their financial aid requests.

The school decided to increase the size of the financial aid staff and hired Jimmy Trammell as the new director and Charlene Milton as assistant director in November of 1998. After a semester of working out the problems of the previous staff, the new staff was

ready to face the job fully prepared. However, in June of 1999 it was discovered that Trammell had two malignant brain tumors and he had to resign. Milton also resigned in July to take another job. Finally, the administrative assistant left due to complications with her pregnancy.

"To lose an entire financial aid staff six weeks before the beginning of the school year is really a worst case scenario," said Stroud. "It is extremely unfortunate that this turnover delayed our ability to get beyond some of last year's problems."

To compensate for the lack of a staff, Wesleyan hired a group of financial aid consultants from Atlanta to finish the financial aid awarding process. The group worked diligently to prepare for the 1999-2000 school year despite the chaotic state of the financial aid department.

The school has also begun putting together a new financial aid staff. Again, the school decided to increase the staff of the Financial Aid Office to include four full time employees. Sally Griffin is the new Director for Compliance for Financial Aid Programs. Sherri Shannon and

Amber Polson now handle campus employment and student loans. As of October 4, Parker Leake will be the new Director of Financial Aid. The new staff members have been working to compensate for the staff turnover during the summer. "The Financial Aid Office has almost completed the awarding process as well as the verification process required of certain students. This is much earlier than we were able to complete these processes last year," said Stroud.

With the troubles of the Financial Aid Office there has been a great deal of resentment from students. The Financial Aid Office is, however, not responsible for all of the difficulties students have had with student loans.

"There is a rumor that the Financial Aid Office is denying student loans. Our staff can simply explore the options of commercial loans with students. We cannot assess the likelihood of a student being approved for the loan if this is their first application. We are ready to explore new options with students and their families if they are denied a loan," said Stroud.

To accommodate for the problems that the Financial Aid

Office has had, the Business Office has been working with the Financial Aid Office to make sure that students and their families are not penalized for mistakes in the office. A thirty-day interest-free promissory note was created so that students could register while their financial aid work was being finished.

"Students are understandably anxious to get their aid in place," said Stroud, "but they have been tremendously patient while this office has sorted through its problems."

There is a great deal of paper work that must be completed and documented with state and federal loan companies. Audit reports must be prepared soon after the school year starts. In addition to this, the office must allow time to meet with students. The new staff must also become acclimated with Wesleyan and work out problems from the past.

Said Stroud, "Our goal is for students and their families to regard the financial aid staff as their advocates in the financial aid process, not an obstacle to be overcome, as well as good stewards of the financial aid programs for the college."

Focusing on Wesleyan's computer services

By Tiffany Moore

At Wesleyan, computers are a major component of our lives. Indeed, these computers are the reason some students started looking into Wesleyan and was a major factor in some students' decisions to come here. Almost everyday, students at Wesleyan check their email, get on the internet, or type an assignment for class. Without their computers, students would find that their academic life would be severely limited because many assignments are sent over email, require the internet, and must be typed since most professors will not accept handwritten papers.

At Wesleyan, the Computer Resident Assistants (CRA) and the computer lab are the two avenues open to help students with their computer problems. When the CRA cannot fix the computer, the computer lab is the next step for a student. Many students criticize the computer lab for their slow response time. Repair and maintenance can take anywhere from a few days to a month. While students understand that com-

puter lab resources are limited, this knowledge does not help them when they have an assignment due or need to get information about a class from their email.

The computer lab, however, is trying to remedy this gap, finding and training student workers who are in short supply due to the financial aid situation (which allows only students with work study to work on campus). Not only is the computer lab increasing its staff, but they are trying desperately to fix the Senior computers which have had the most trouble adjusting to the new network and email systems. According to Dr. Bell, the computer lab has pulled money from a faculty technology budget to cover the cost of memory for the seniors computers so that these computers will be able to interact with the Wesleyan Network.

While the computer lab is trying its best to fix its staffing problems, there are two new policies that the students find disturbing. The first policy is that faculty and staff have and have had access to WesStudents

was a forum open only to students. Many students feel that faculty and staff access to WesStudents is a violation of their privacy because they were never informed that it was not strictly a student folder. However, Dr. Bell pointed out that email is not confidential and that the students should be wary about what they are sending. While this may be true, some students wonder why they were never informed that faculty have access to WesStudents.

Another policy that students are finding bothersome is that faculty and staff have the ability to mass distribute emails which means that they can send email wholesale to students instead of sending these messages to the appropriate forums: WesStudents, For Sale, or WesNews. This means that students are finding messages in their personal inboxes that do not apply to them at all which essentially means that they are being sent junk mail. For example, a member of the faculty and staff recently sent out what they considered to be a humorous forward. This message was sent to every student's box and

contained no information that was valid to the student body. This issue is important to students because there is more than this one email being sent out and they feel upset when they see five or ten messages that have no relevance toward them at all. It makes one wonder what other kinds of random email students will begin receiving.

The Computer Focus program is something that most people value highly. How can we continue to celebrate this program if the communication between the computer lab and the Wesleyan community is so poor that students have no knowledge that 'their' folder is open to everyone's scrutiny? While it is certainly true that the computer lab is trying hard to make the computers work, the lack of communication and the ability of faculty and staff to randomly send messages to our personal mailboxes and view our emails to our fellow students indicates that there is a need for more information on the rules and regulations applying to all members of the Wesleyan community.

National Breast Cancer

What is breast cancer?

Breast cancer, a common cancer in women, is a disease in which cancer (malignant) cells are found in the tissues of the breast. Each breast has 15-20 sections called lobes, which have many smaller sections called lobules. Thin tubes called ducts connect the lobes and lobules. The most common type of breast cancer is ductal cancer, which is found in the cells of the ducts. Cancer that begins in the lobes or lobules is called lobular cancer. Lobular cancer is more often found in both breasts than other types of breast cancer. Inflammatory breast cancer is an uncommon type of breast cancer in which the breast is warm, red and swollen.

Hereditary breast cancer makes up approximately 5% to 10% of all breast cancer cases. In some breast cancer patients, several faulty genes have been found. Relatives of breast cancer patients who carry these genes may be more likely to develop breast or ovarian cancer. Some defective genes are more common in certain ethnic groups. Tests are being developed to determine who has the genetic defect before any cancer appears.

Know the possible signs of breast cancer

If you exhibit any of these signs, please consult a doctor.

- A breast lump or thickening which may or may not be painful.
- Change in breast size, shape, or symmetry (if one breast becomes higher)
- Flattening or indentation on skin of breast
- Dimpling, rippling, or scaling of skin on breast
- Change in breast skin temperature (a warm or hot patch)
- Dark, bloody, or clear nipple discharge.
- Nipple itching, scaling, burning, dimpling, or turning inwards.
- Lasting pain or tenderness in the breast
- Swelling in the underarm

Helping to prevent breast cancer

There is no proven way to prevent breast cancer, but risk can be decreased by following methods such as these:

- Eating a nutritious diet containing the necessary vitamins and mineral
- (The American Cancer Society recommends a diet low in animal fat and high in fiber, along with five servings of fruits and vegetables daily and six servings of breads, cereals, grains, rice, pasta or beans.)
- Limiting alcohol consumption.
- Monthly breast self-exams
- Routine mammograms
- (Early detection through mammograms, monthly self-exams, and regular breast exams is the best weapon against breast cancer.)

Treatment

Choosing a method of treatment involves the consideration of many factors:

- Type of cancer
- Stage to which the disease has progressed
- Deciding whether or not to have reconstruction done
- Being pre or post menopausal
- The presence of estrogen or progesterone receptors on tumor cells
- General health
- Age

Healthcare Professionals involved in treatment:

- Family physicians
- General internists
- Gynecologists
- Radiologists
- General surgeons
- Plastic surgeons (for reconstruction)
- Pathologists
- Medical oncologists
- Surgical oncologists
- Radiotherapists

Treatment of Breast Cancer:

- Radiation therapy
- Chemotherapy
- Surgery (can be done to conserve the breast with lumpectomy or to remove the breast with a mastectomy)

Common conditions mistaken for cancer

- Cysts (fluid-filled sacs in the breasts)
- Fibrocystic breast disease (breast lumpiness, cysts, and back pain)
- Mastitis (breast infection, where breast is red, swollen, and tender)
- Breast abscess (a pus-filled area in the breast)
- Fibroadenomas (small, solid breast lumps made of fibrous and glandular tissue)
- Fat necrosis (lumpy scar tissue that replaces fatty tissue after breast injury)
- Sclerosing adenosis (hardening of glandular tissue in breast).

Did You Know?

- There are approximately 184,000 new cases of breast cancer each year in the U.S.
- Approximately 44,000 American women die each year of breast cancer.
- 92% of breast cancers can be cured with early detection and prompt treatment.
- 1% of breast cancer sufferers are male.
- One in nine women will have breast cancer in their lifetimes.
- Having a mother, sister, or daughter with breast cancer increases your chances.
- Beginning first period before age 12 increases chances

Awareness Month

Learning to do a self-exam

Doing a full self-exam involves examining your breasts in two ways: looking and feeling.

Looking:

1. Stand up and look at your breasts in three positions: with your arms up; with your arms down; with your shoulders in, bending forward from the hips with hands on hips and then with arms hanging down in front.

2. Look for changes in shape or skin color, dimpling of the skin, or changes in your nipples.

Feeling:

1. Prop yourself up under the shoulder with a folded towel on the same side as the breast being examined.

2. With the pads of three fingers, press on your breast in a circular motion using three degrees of pressure: light, medium, and hard.

3. Cover the entire area of the breast in a systematic way—either in concentric circles, pie-shaped wedges, or vertical lines. Also check the areas between the breast and the underarm, the underarm itself, and the area above the breast,

up to the collarbone and all the way out to your shoulder.

4. Large-breasted women should examine their breasts in two stages. First, lying down, check the outside of the breast. Then, lying on the side, check the inside of the breast.

5. Repeat for other breast.

6. It is also recommended that you squeeze both nipples, looking for any discharge.

6. If you find anything odd or any changes, see your doctor immediately.

Remember that a breast exam can save your breast and maybe your life.

Need more information

American Cancer Society
625 North Court
Palatine, IL 60067
800-ACS-2345
HYPERLINK <http://www.cancer.org>
www.cancer.org
Breast Cancer Net
HYPERLINK <http://www.breastcancer.net>

Clinical Research Center
North Carolina Memorial Hospl.
Manning Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
919-966-1435

Community Breast Health Proj.
770 Welch Road, Suite 730
Palo Alto, CA 94304
415-725-1788
HYPERLINK <http://www.med.sanford.edu/CBHP>

Information Regarding Breast Implants
Food and Drug Administration
800-532-4444

Lumpectomy/Radiation Therapy Information Service
West Coast Cancer Foundation
50 Francisco Street, Suite 200
San Francisco, CA 94133
415-981-4590

National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations
9 East 37th Street, 10th floor
New York, NY 10016
888-80-NABCO or
800-719-9154
HYPERLINK <http://www.nabco.org>

National Cancer Institute
1275 York Avenue, Box 166
New York, NY 10021
800-4-CANCER
HYPERLINK <http://rex.nci.nih.gov>

Office of Cancer Communications National Cancer Institute
Bldg. 1, Room 10A18
9000 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20205
800-638-6694
HYPERLINK <http://cis.nci.nih.gov>

Oncolink
HYPERLINK <http://www.oncolink.upenn.edu>

Sources

Relay for Life is a 24 hour walk-a-thon to help raise money for cancer research. Teams assemble and raise money to turn in to the Cancer Society. Each team had approximately 12 to 15 members who take turns walking during the 24 hours. It takes place in the spring of each year.

The Susan G. Komen Foundation was created in the memory of Susan Komen, who died of breast cancer. The foundation helps raise money for cancer research and funding.

Send A Mouse To College is a yearly fundraiser done by elementary schools across the country. Children bring in money—mostly change—to donate to hospitals and research facilities.

Reach to Recovery is a counseling service that helps women who have had breast cancer surgery to prepare for what they are facing. They hold sessions to help women learn to wear and function with prosthetic breasts, teach them exercises to help maintain muscle tone, and guide them in handling the emotional issues that will occur once they start treatment.

I never thought this would happen to me

As the daughter of a breast cancer survivor, I know all too well the importance of monthly self-exams and mammograms. When my mother was diagnosed with lobular breast cancer in 1992, I was devastated. My mother was never supposed to get sick. The concept of cancer had never entered my mind, but here it was, staring me in the face. My first reaction was, "My mother is going to die." All I really knew about cancer was that it killed thousands of people every year, so naturally I jumped to the worst conclusion. My mother underwent a modified radical mastectomy, followed by a vigorous course of chemotherapy and radiation. About a year after her diagnosis, her doctor told her that she was cancer-free, for the moment. We sat on pins and needles for nearly a year after that, praying and watching for a recurrence. After the first year, we learned to breathe again, and we relaxed a little more. As time passed, we began to feel more and more like everything was going to be alright.

Five years is the typical length of time that doctors wait before telling a breast cancer patient that she is cured. We watched and waited for my mother's five year mark, and as it approached, we grew more and more hopeful that she was going to beat this dreadful disease. In February of 1997, my mother's doctor looked at us, beaming, and said that the cancer was gone and she was cured. We celebrated that like we had never celebrated anything before. I was so excited and so proud of my mother, because her positive attitude had helped her survive when the odds had been against her.

It has been eight years since my mother was diagnosed with breast cancer, and today she is healthier and more active than ever.

She is co-founder of a cancer support group in our hometown, and she serves as the breast cancer chair for the American Cancer Society in Colquitt County. She also works with Reach to Recovery, a service that helps to counsel women who have just been diagnosed with breast cancer. I am so proud of my mother and all that she has done. She is truly an amazing woman and a wonderful role model, and it is a privilege to be able to call her my mother.

- Bria Andrew

Compiled by Bria Andrew and Abigail Waite

Features

Rites and Traditions of 1999

Purple Knight Perspective:

Today I was called upon to write a brief story about RAT weekend. Being the sucker that I am, I agreed, and thoughts of frying like bacon, fountain diving, and cheering like mad filled my head. However, when I sat down to write the article, none of these things seemed really important. The only thought I had in correlation to RAT was Sisterhood. I tried to escape it, because I know it is virtually impossible to talk about Sisterhood without being a total cheese-ball, but then I realized that I AM a cheese-ball, so I might as well just give into the urge to talk about Sisterhood.

This year, I had the amazing privilege of being the Golden Heart class advocate. Basically, it was my job to let the Golden Hearts know that amongst all the oh-so-terrifying PK's, there was someone who would help them out. However, before they could have help, they had to go out on their own, and so I looked on as

a good number of Golden Hearts cowered in fear around the fountain as we marched in somberly around them. Early on, the little Hearts surprised me with their Sisterhood, cheering the first of their brave classmates who stood to go to her Ratter. Later, as the night was drawing to a close, I was once again pleased to look on as they joined their sisters in the new and exciting world of non-Golden Heart cheers. The next day, the Hearts took part in one of the great portions of RAT weekend: Spirit Feast. Already, I could see the bonds of Sisterhood growing stronger between them: if one GH was on her chair cheering, they all were. Slowly, the Golden Hearts were beginning to see what it meant to "help out your sister." Saturday was the big day, and the excitement as we prepared for the early morning wake up call was palpable. Dressed in my Golden garb, I went to the gym to await the moment of my "unveiling" to Giddy Golden Hearts. Together, we went over cheers and a few bits

and pieces of Wesleyan history before they went out to face the day's fun and games. One of my favorite memories of Saturday was the final bit of Olympic Fountain Swimming that went on that day, during which I had the honor of hearing more interesting verses of Coast to Coast than I ever thought possible. As I stood on the edge of the fountain, I was reminded of my RAT experience--of chubby bunny and catch the baby, being sick as a dog and still cheering with Kathryn "Scrub the Ground" Marshall. I wondered if any of these Rats would have the same feelings next year. Having spoken to some Golden Hearts, I think that they, too, will one day soon look back on RAT and get that warm "Sisterhood" feeling that I get now.

RAT is one of the many experiences that bind Wesleyannes to one another. Because of elaborate traditions such as RAT and STUNT, and even the class system, we as Wesleyannes are inexorably linked together for eternity.

-Megan Beene

Golden Heart Perspective:

The Pirate/Golden Heart pep rally scheduled for Thursday, September 23, started out just like any other pep rally. Red and gold were displayed on every Pirate and Golden Heart gathered around the fountain. As cheers began and sisters found each other, it became obvious that we Golden Hearts did not know our sisters' cheers. As we clapped along and moved our lips, attempting to look intelligent, a strange and scary thing happened: a drum sounded and the Pirates ran. Terrified Golden Hearts scattered from the fountain only to be stopped and pushed back by their big sisters.

The Purple Knights then made their unnerving entrance. Silla Summerlin led the Purple Knights, uniformly dressed and carrying candles, as they chanted and circled the Golden Hearts. While some Golden Hearts had to fight the urge to "duck and run," others such as Shelly Molleur thought, "This is going to be a lot of fun!" After the PK President Lauren Hill read the list of charges to the Giddy Golden Hearts, we were herded into the auditorium and assigned to a Perfect Purple Knight for the weekend. We discovered that we were expected

to do whatever a Grand Green Knight, Powerful Pirate, or Perfect Purple Knight requested of us until Sunday. We all knew that it was going to be a very long weekend.

By Friday morning, RAT was in full swing. It was not uncommon to see a Golden Heart with underwear outside her clothes or standing in a conspicuous place singing embarrassing songs. Lunch was a feeding ground in more ways than one. Perfect Purple Knights requested numerous cheers and songs from us. Later that day, all Giddy Golden Hearts were requested to report to the cafeteria for a reason unknown to us. Once in our seats, the slow process of learning cheers began. After numerous mistakes, our Perfect Purple Knights were partially satisfied and permitted us to serve dinner to their big sisters.

At 5:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, Danielle White thought, "Death was coming." The Perfect Purple Knights, once again, decided to scare the Golden Hearts by chanting and banging their drum. Once awake, the Golden Hearts were served breakfast by their assigned PK and taken to the gym to play games and sing songs. After the fun in the gym was

over, the Golden Hearts were dismissed to compete for signatures by completing cheers, history lessons, and whatever else the Purple Knights asked of us. After twenty minutes of synchronized swimming in the fountain, Nicole Smith begged, "No more Coast to Coast please!" But the day did not end there.

The next morning the Golden Hearts had the responsibility of putting on a skit. Although we all made fools of ourselves, our newly acquired sense of sisterhood was already evident. Kristi Celentano observed that everyone was willing to be embarrassed together. After the skit, the nominees for next year's RAT Council were announced, and the Golden Hearts were told to go to the fountain. We all expected to be thrown in one last time, and as the Perfect Purple Knights approached, we all held our breath. But instead of menacing purple robes, the Purple Knights were dressed in white and carried flowers. Nishat Hamid said, "I couldn't believe my eyes! It was beautiful!" When their Rats were found, the PK's capped off RAT Weekend by singing "Sister of Mine" to their assigned Golden Hearts. After many hugs and more tears, Rat Weekend was finally over.

-Megan Bryant

Our sisters at work

By Christina Ethier

"Sisters in Service hopes to benefit the Wesleyan community by modeling the three Kiwanis International priorities: service, leadership, and fellowship," stated Julie Bailey when asked about the purpose the Sisters in Service on the Wesleyan College campus.

Sisters in Service is the Wesleyan chapter of Circle K International, which is the collegiate level of the Kiwanis organization. CKI is the largest and most active service organization on Wesleyan's campus. The members strive to make a difference on their campus and in the Macon community through volunteering all of the community and through interaction with other CKI organizations.

Julie Bailey, President of CKI, detailed how Sisters in Service volunteers through many different monthly events and three ongoing service projects.

The ongoing service projects are in connection with the Big Sister/Brother Program, the Boys and Girls Club, and United Hospice of Macon. All three of these programs allow Wesleyan students to make a difference and connection in the community. The long-term projects also allow members to interact with members of the community as mentors, companions, and friends.

Another aspect of the CKI organization is the monthly service emphasis. The emphasis for the month of October will be on volunteering at the Methodist Children's Home. Students will be able to volunteer at the Children's Home through special programs such as tutoring and working at meals.

The largest service effort will take place during the entire month of November. Sisters in Service will be sponsoring the first ever Wesleyan Volunteering Marathon. Bailey remarked, We are hoping to raise student and faculty awareness of the needs of the Macon area. All are invited to participate! The marathon's goal is to volunteer for at least 800 hours for the month. CKI will be able to provide any one interested with possible service projects and dates.

If interested in learning about or joining Circle K International, students should contact Julie Bailey or Laura Willis.

Features

Wesleyan College meets the world through its international students

By Ayesha Crossman

Because of the nine new international students, Wesleyan's student population has become more diverse since the beginning of the academic year.

I greatly admire the international students, Namita Mohanty, a freshman and Golden Heart, states when asked about her thoughts on Wesleyan's diverse student body. It really takes a strong person indeed to leave one's country behind and at the same time adjust so quickly to a completely new and different culture.

Yes, but why have they chosen Wesleyan? When asked to elaborate on the factors that prompted them to select Wesleyan, many of the students responded identically. "I had

researched colleges both on the web and in numerous college books and had discovered that Wesleyan was a force to reckon with in terms of its high caliber teaching facilities, especially in the areas of Biology and Computer science," asserted Rehana Alam, a student from Bangladesh and a prospective Biology major.

Of course, they were all quick to add that the financial aid offered by the college also played a major role in their decision to attend Wesleyan. Moreover, many affirmed that the cornerstone of their decision rested on the fact that they had a desire to see the world from a different point of view.

"This whole experience has been entirely new, but strangely exhilarating for me," states Rehana, in reference to the difference between the

in Bangladesh and that of America. Moreover, she cites the example of the students opening the door for each other at Wesleyan, as a totally new phenomenon. "The liberal culture of America differs greatly from that of Bangladesh, where the people are more conservative and vastly traditional," she added. Gergana, a student from Bulgaria, acceded that she also found the American culture to be quite different from her home country. Nevertheless, she also emphasized that there were some commonalities between both countries. In Bulgaria the people are just as friendly as the Americans that I have met on campus. Overall, the dominant opinion of the international students was that they wanted to broaden their perspectives by experiencing life from the angle

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Wesleyan Trivia

Q: What were the original buildings opened in 1928?

A: Persons, Wortham, Banks, Candler, Tate, Taylor, Physical Plant, Gym, & Olive Swann Porter

Q: What was the tower next to the old physical plant used for?

A: The tower was the smokestack for the laundry. The old boiler is still down there.

Q: How old are the bed frames in Jones?

A: The bed frames were bought in the Fall of 1959

Q: When were the mattresses that were bought in 1928 finally replaced?

A: 1960

Q: When were Wesleyan's first allowed to dance with males?

A: 1942

Q: When could shorts or pants first be worn on front campus?

A: Early 1970's

*All info obtained from Mrs. Tena Roberts

Poet's Corner

GK's Together Forever?

My actions and your reactions circle around each other each claiming to be the victor. Accusations and silence hover in the background Our creation not of beauty but of pain-- Friendship--a travesty of innocence.

Once a celebration--like and unlike now a battleground for destruction Love and memories reveal vulnerabilities, bullets strike indiscriminately, Brave, protesting, wounded smothered under the sea of pain Destruction triumphs as blind injustice delivers us into loneliness.

No faith, no joy, and no forgiveness the legacy we have given to each other Regrets, pain, and emptiness our reward--the spoils of war. Chance meetings and rediscovered pictures Burn bright the flames of pain

-Anonymous

Delphi: Ask of the Oracle's Wisdom.

Dear Delphi,
My suitemates will not be quiet when my roommate and I are trying to sleep! Can you give me any suggestions on how to get them to keep it down without ruining any chances of friendship?

Murderous at Midnight

Dear Murderous,
First of all, do NOT kill your suitemates. Have you talked to them? Communication is always a good start (we are all females; we like to talk). And I do mean *talk* don't start yelling or throwing insults! In a civil, polite manner point out that you need, want, and cherish your sleep and that you

can not get any while they are being loud. Ask them to tone it down and tell them specifically what sleep hours are. Tell them that you value their friendship, too. If that doesn't work after three times, then you can yell!

Delphi

Dear Delphi,
How many licks does it take to get to the center of a Tootsie Roll Pop?

Wondering

Dear Wondering,
I would not really know since it is two licks for me, and then I start chomping!

Delphi

Dear Delphi,
Since National Coming Out Week is fast approaching, I am debating coming out and telling my roommate. How should I do this? In Narnia

Dear Narnia,
Very carefully. How does your roommate feel about sexuality in general? If she does not approve, you might want to get help from your RA or the student life staff (at extension 5214) before telling her. If things do not peacefully resolve, you may have to look into switching roommates. If, however, your roommate approves or doesn't have any objections to homosexuality, then you had better tell her before someone else does. You should be the one to tell her! It might hurt her that you had not told her. Mind you, I am not saying you need your roommate's approval or anything- this is strictly your business and your life! Knowing where your roommate stands on this issue helps out a little though. You are living with her after all.

Delphi

The Delphi was a Greek oracle. Anybody needing a question answered would approach the oracle and ask away. The oracle then would offer as much advice as she could. Remember that I am not in direct contact with the goddesses so do not take my advice as a command, it is merely a suggestion from a wise Wesleyanne!

On the Verge

October 7, 8, 9 at 8:00

GrassmanPorter Studio Theatre

Wesleyan College

\$7 Full Price

\$4 students and

senior citizens

Free to Wesleyan students, faculty, and staff.

Call 757-5259 for reservations. Seating is limited.

News/Features

International students con't of a First World country in addition to that of a Third World country.

Many of the students believe that they have a lot to offer to the campus life as international students. Camille, a Jamaican student with her sights set on double majoring in biology and chemistry, asserted that not only has she introduced her roommate to the reggae music of Jamaica, but she has also succeeded in familiarizing her with the terms and slangs of a typical Jamaican society. Camille also believes that her exposure to the diversity on campus, has had a positive impact on her own character.

"My experience here at Wesleyan has had a significant impact on me as an individual," she stated. Moreover, she was quick to point out the fact that the more liberal culture of the students on campus has taught her the importance of tolerance and acceptance of other people's beliefs.

When asked whether or not the transition from their native countries to the new environment

at Wesleyan was a difficult one, the students highlighted the culture shock that they felt initially. They also mentioned, however, the integral role that the college played in helping them to adjust to life on campus. "Lizzie Wahab was really kind and helpful in terms of familiarizing us ahead of time with the differences in culture that we might experience during our stay on campus," commented Bushra Alam, another student from Bangladesh.

The international student population clearly has much to offer to the student life on campus in terms of exposing many students to the differences in culture and beliefs of people around the world. It will also give many the first hand opportunity of communicating in another language with someone who is of the same age group. The ability to interact easily with someone of a different background will be entirely beneficial to all students. It will further prepare them for the reality of the working world, which is becoming increasingly global.

HERSTORY: a chapter

Just to see how much times have changed, this chapter of Herstory compares the yearly bill that a student would have received for the 1852 school year to that we received for the 1998 year!

1852*		1998*	
Tuition (regular)	\$ 75.00	Tuition	\$15,450.00
Tuition (music)	\$ 50.00	Books	\$ 800.00
Books	\$ 6.40	Activity Fee	\$ 250.00
Food	\$ 6.00	Technology	\$ 300.00
Repairs	\$ 4.00	Wellness Fee	\$ 300.00
Total	\$141.40	Music Lesson	\$ 750.00
		Total	\$17,850.00

*Neither bill includes the price of room and board.

During the late 1800's, a student's father paid her tuition in full with LARD! Maybe he had the right idea on how to deal with rising cost.

Info from Mrs. Tena Roberts

Wesleyan's many legacies stretch through out the generations

By Abigail Waite

Why did you come to Wesleyan? Was it because you fell in love with the school when you came to visit? Was it because one of your relatives came here before you? There are a few people on campus who could answer yes to that last question. They are legacies- women who have had one or more members of their family attend Wesleyan. However, these women all agree that although their mothers and grandmothers remain enthusiastic about Wesleyan, their reasons for coming here had nothing to do with family history. The choice to attend Wesleyan College was theirs alone.

Katie Sidwell clearly remembers what her grandmother told her about coming to Wesleyan. "Do not go there just so I can light your candle." That kind of statement is pretty impressive coming from a woman whose devotion to her Tri-K Pirate class had her planning STUNT of '53 along with her wedding. It seems as though Katie will be continuing that legacy of spirit and loyalty. She is already active in class activities and campus clubs.

All three generations of Catherine O'Kelley's family who have attended Wesleyan. Her

grandmother and mother were both on Homecoming Court during their time here, and she continued the tradition at last year's Homecoming. However, they are not just pretty faces. Catherine is active in class activities and CAB, her mother was on STUNT and the Social Standards Committee while here at Wesleyan, and her grandmother was captain of the synchronized swimming team, the Naiads, while it still was in existence.

Though never a Naiad, Mary Margaret William's mother has influenced her in other ways. Mary Margaret says that her mother has always told her how "going to a women's college made her more inclined to get involved in the community" through organizations such as the Women's Club. Because of that, Mary Margaret has decided that an all-female college would benefit her, also.

Wrennie Perry, on the other hand, never thought that a college for women could benefit her. In fact, she never would have heard of Wesleyan College if not for her mother, a Tri-K Pirate of 1977. However, her mother kept telling Wrennie about the closeness within the classes and about Eventually, Wesleyan became

Wrennie's first choice of colleges.

Wesleyan was never Laura Tarman's first choice. Even though her link to the college stretches through five generations, she states, "I thought all my life that I would not come here because of that legacy, but then I came to visit and fell in love with Wesleyan." This seems appropriate for a woman whose grandmother first thought up the idea of having prospective students come to Wesleyan to look around.

The family histories of these women are many and varied, and there are many not yet told. Stretching through the years as they do, they have become a symbol of the many things that tie everyone together here at Wesleyan. Things such as respect, honesty, and sisterly love. Without these traits Wesleyan would not be what it is today.

The women mentioned in this article are connected to Wesleyan College through various family traditions, both large and small. These many legacies have become a symbol of the characteristics of a true Wesleyanne. Without these legacies and traditions, Wesleyan would not be... well, Wesleyan.

Web Watch

Here are a few websites you may find handy.

1. Odigo at www.odigo.com
2. NASA International space Station at <http://station.nasa.gov> and www.nasa.com
3. Hewlett Packard at www.hp.com/go/smb1.
4. Total cereals is found at www.totalcereal.com
5. 6FigureJobs is found at www.6FigureJobs.com
6. Bell Atlantic Small Businesses Services may be found at www.BellAtlantic.com/smallbiz/update.
7. PC Crisis is found at www.pccrisis.com
8. Playtex is found at www.playtextampons.com
9. The National Automotive Parts Association is found at www.NAPAUTOPARTS.com
10. The National Cooperative Business Association is located at www.NCBA.org
11. Siemens may be found at www.siemenshearing.com

Sports

Set, Spike, Win for Volleyball Team!!!

By, Jennifer Jenkins

September was an extraordinary month for the volleyball team. On September 24-25, Wesleyan's volleyball team won the Wesleyan College Tournament. Two days later, the volleyball team continued its winning streak by beating out Wesleyan's strongest rival, Agnes Scott College, in three consecutive matches.

The third match in the game against Agnes Scott proved the most challenging for the Wesleyan team. Near the end of the match, the Wesleyan team only needed one more point to win. The Agnes Scott team, however, fought to stay in the game, and the teams went several more rotations before the Wesleyan team finally scored the winning point.

Team members, Kinita Edwards, Asha Smith, Grace Hughes, Danielle White, and Arletha Williams, Amanda Hassebrock, Cynthia "Pebbles" Tercier, Chanel Thomas, Joan Miller, and co-captains Melissa Lockert and Hannah Callender brought home the victory for Wesleyan.

With the victory over Agnes Scott, the volleyball team is six games closer to its goal of ten wins this season. If it continues this winning streak, the team might surpass that goal!

V-ball Scoreboard

Wesleyan	15	15	15
Agnes Scott	12	10	13

Attention Students

The Athletics facilities hours are as follows:

Mathews Fitness Center

Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday 7am-9pm

Saturday 9am-6pm, Sunday 12-6 pm

Featuring:

Cycle Reebok- Monday and Thursday 8am.

Monday and Wednesday 6pm.

Kickboxing- Tuesday 6:30 pm.

Step Aerobics- Tuesday 5:30 pm.

Body Sculpting 101- Monday and Wednesday 5pm.

Boot Camp- Thursday 6:30 pm.

Mystery Mix- Saturday 10 am.

Combo- Tuesday and Friday 8am.

Porter Gymnasium

Hours of operation

Monday-Friday 7-9am and 5-8 pm.

Pool Hours

Monday-Friday

7-9am and 5:50-7pm.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

11am-12:30 pm.

Saturday and Sun

2-5pm.

Sport Schedules

Soccer

10/8		
Brenau University	Away	4pm
10/13		
Thomas College	Home	4pm
10/15		
LaGrange College	Home	4pm
10/16		
University of Dallas	Home	3pm
10/21		
Chowan College	Home	3pm
10/23		
Marian College Fon Du Lac	Home	12pm
10/28		
Agnes Scott Tourney	Away	TBA

Volleyball

10/9		
Maryville Tri-Match (Piedmont)	Away	TBA
10/13		
LaGrange College	Home	7pm
10/16		
Brewton Parker Tri-Match (Brenau)	Away	TBA
10/20		
SCAD	Away	7pm
10/26		
Agnes Scott Tri-Match (Centre)	Away	5pm
10/29-30		
Agnes Scott Women's Tournament	Away	TBA

Soccer season almost finished for 1999!!!!

By Rebecca Williams

The Wesleyan Pioneers have the ball rolling. Soccer season is now in full swing. Although the team may have gotten off to a rocky start, do not be fooled. This young team, which consists of seven freshmen, five sophomores, two juniors and two seniors, is overflowing with talent. The Pioneers only have three returning players, but Coach Brunel reports that a few freshmen have quickly assumed the leadership positions. The starting line-up consists of five freshmen. He also stated that even though the freshmen have had to adjust to a higher level of competition, a more demanding work rate and a tremendous amount of dedication, four in particular have met the challenge head on. Mid-

fielders Elaina Winter and leading scorer (5) Tracy Baker have stepped up on the offensive end, while back-fielders Rachel Fredriksen and Meara Richter have helped defensively.

Coach Brunel reported that the team has had a rigorous schedule, but the hardest part is over. The record (1-7-1) is in no way indicative of the capabilities of the team. He said that youth has quite often been the deciding factor in close games, but when the team begins to focus and relax, success will inevitably come.

The Pioneers are looking forward to ending the season on a high note.

Soccer Scoreboard

Wesleyan.....	0
Agnes Scott.....	4

Events

October Happenings

- Oct. 13-- Game Show "Can You Name That Tune?"
Rec Room 7 PM
- Oct. 14-- Reading & Lecture by Nikki Giovanni,
Porter Auditorium 8PM
- Oct. 15-- CAB Country Rodeo 9 PM
- Oct. 15- "Always Patsy Cline" 8 PM
- Oct. 16-- Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build
- Oct. 18-- Green Knight Drag Contest
- Oct. 19-- MORE Convocation (Subject to change)
- Oct. 20-- Mocktails sponsored by CJA
- Oct. 21- American Red Cross Blood Drive
- Oct. 24-- SRC Hike
- Oct. 25-29-- Purple Knight Raffle
- Oct. 25-- Class Soccer games begin
- Oct. 25-- CJA Alcohol Awareness Program
- Oct. 28-- Ghosts, Goblins and Goodies
- Oct. 28-- Haunted Barn
- Oct. 29-- SRC Halloween Banquet
- Oct. 30-- Invitational Equestrian competition
- Oct. 30-- Halloween Party/Mixer

Emphasizing religious concerns

The month of October is MORE month, or otherwise known as the Month of Religious Emphasis. Wesleyan College's Council on Religious Concerns sponsors events throughout the month of October to bring awareness to the different religions on the campus. Wesleyan Christian Fellowship, the Baptist Student Union, the Catholic Student Ministry, and the International Club are all taking a week to highlight their particular organizations and their religious beliefs.

Mixing alcohol and learning

The Council on Judicial Affairs sponsors events throughout the month of October for Alcohol Awareness. Through Alcohol Awareness Month, CJA and the office of Student Affairs hope to help students learn about the effects and dangers of alcohol consumption.

There will be an Alcohol Awareness Convocation on October 25th at 7:00 in the rec room which will show students the effects of alcohol on a range of different people.

Kicking off STUNT '99

By Tiffany Moore

On September 19th, 1999, elections for the 104th STUNT were held. STUNT is a very important part of Wesleyan that strengthens sisterhood and is extremely fun. So, please, everyone start thinking about coming to STUNT, reading, and auditioning for a part. Everyone needs to experience STUNT bonding by participating in all night paint sessions, not sleeping for weeks, praying professors do not assign another paper, going to rehearsals to learn your lines and choreography, and experiencing the pride of knowing that you and your class created something truly astonishing.

The classes began the elections by meeting in Porter Auditorium where the STUNT commission discussed the importance of STUNT and instructed the classes on the procedures for electing a STUNT committee. Each class then met individually at specified locations, and elections commenced. After STUNT elections, everyone was invited to attend the pizza party, which was a great success.

The STUNT Committees elected were:

GKs: Erin Davis, Catherine Hawkins, Robyn Harris, Bethany Rowan, and Katie Sadler

Pirates: Jenny Bailey, Jaime McCoy, Jenifer Bagby, Andrea Morgan, and Brandy Morris

PKs: Megan Beene, Chenny Gan, Erin James, Lauren Hill (PK class president), Chrissy Miner, and Natalie Puckett

Golden Hearts: Bonne Boyd, Lakeia Davis, Malissa Hendrix, Nunley Smith, and Melissa VanWie.

The Executive STUNT Committee that was appointed last year is made up of Missy Graham, Caroline Talavera, Angela Weddington, and Abbie Smoak.

Being a part of STUNT for the past three years has been truly satisfying. Although everyone must put in a lot of time and work and STUNT can sometimes be frustrating and difficult, the effort that you put into STUNT is more rewarding

than words can describe. Singing cheers with your sisters, being unable to stop laughing at your own lines, and sharing memories are only a few of the things that are gained from this experience. It is important that every class member come out in the spring to support their STUNT committee and to support the traditions that STUNT has represented for more than a century. Ladies, without your support, STUNT cannot happen because it is about participation and sisterhood. STUNT is a truly wonderful event that brings us all closer together as sisters, and I hope to see you there.

Bet you don't know this



When inaugurated as vice president, Andrew Johnson appeared drunk, having just recovered from an attack of typhoid fever.



The name of the drug nicotine, found in tobacco, comes from Jean Nicot, French ambassador to Portugal. Nicot brought some tobacco seeds with him from the newly discovered America.

The Pioneer is now accepting editorials, comments, poems, drawings, and other contributions from all Wesleyan students to be published in the paper. Use of any student contributions will be left to the discretion of the editorial board of the Pioneer. Please send any contributions to Box 8860.



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Nikki Giovanni's Visit Takes Wesleyan Community By Storm

by Ayesha Crossman

"Conservatism, I totally recommend against it." This powerful, unapologetic statement was among the first to leave the lips of one of the most renowned poets in the South, Nikki Giovanni. A well-known social critic and a strong advocate of women's rights, Giovanni took Wesleyan by storm October 14-16. In a highly electrifying speech, she challenged her audience to experience life through the vivid and sometimes frighteningly real medium of the spoken word.

"The main reason I invited Miss Giovanni as our featured guest speaker at our conference, Writing on the Masks, was primarily because I know her to be quite a motivational speaker," commented Dr. Matt Martin, one of the main organizers behind Giovanni's visit. There are many people on campus who also seem to share his opinion. Among those are the students who had the opportunity to recite some of their own poetry for Giovanni and then engage in an open discussion with her. Many students believe that to get professional and honest



Photo by Erin James

Nikki Giovanni (sitting)

feedback from someone who had charted her own course in the field of poetry was a significant opportunity in their budding careers as future poets. Perhaps the comment that exemplifies the overall response of the students to Giovanni was one made by Adrienne Cooper-Jones, a junior and a young poet. "Nikki Giovanni is a woman who is shy enough to sit back and observe the society, but is also bold enough to dare to speak out against its injustices."

For those who were present for

her speech in Porter Auditorium, there is no doubt about Giovanni's ability to provoke a response from her audience. With witty remarks and an unhesitant manner of stating her beliefs, she took her audience along an intellectually stimulating discussion of some of the most controversial issues that women today experience in the society. She also boldly repainted the images of the injustices that occur in our society, as seen in the case in which Jon Benet Ramsey was murdered, and the other situation where Susan Smith drowned her two

children. Although in both instances the parents were charged with the murder of their children, only Susan Smith was convicted. Here, Giovanni highlighted, was one of the most obvious demonstrations of the role that wealth plays in exempting the rich, the Ramsey's, from social responsibility. "There must be an end to these inequalities," she said, calling upon her audience to examine its own prejudices towards certain social issues.

The overall message of Giovanni was the need for the society to be continued pg 6

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Green Knights Take Traditional Midnight Ride

by Tiffany Moore

Senior Skip and Senior trip are Wesleyan traditions that the seniors enjoy because it gives them a time to be creative, to get away from classes, and enjoy spending time with their fellow classmates. This year the senior class was the Green Knights, and they put in a lot of energy to make the decorating of the campus into a memorable event for their little sisters, friends, and the first year class. As told by Christie McAlum, "First we decorated our little sisters doors, then it was time to head to the freshman dorms with signs, green Koolaid, shaving cream, and, of course, corn. After the rush decorating, we had another fun event planned—we got into our cars, circled the campus, blew

horns, screamed loudly, and paid a late night visit to the President's house.

After, decorating their little sisters' doors, many of the Green Knights went to Jamaica, however, a portion of the class decided not to go and instead had an event that they called Sober Jamaica. However, before the campus GK's had sober Jamaica, some of the Green Knights decided that there was still a little decorating to be done. According to Katherine Hinton, a few enterprising GK's decided that their little sisters might really enjoy being cinderblocked in their rooms, and even if they didn't find it quite as amusing as their big sisters, well, at least their big sisters had fun. After the campus GK's finished with their decorating, they partici-



Seniors gather for a group picture in Jamaica

pated in sober Jamaica. The GK's held the sober Jamaica get together under tents that were put up in front of Porter Auditorium. During this event, they were

amused by the presence of cabanna girls (PK's) and were startled by having a Blair Witch experience which was

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Editorials

Life With Alcoholism Can Be Terrifying

Living with an alcoholic is hell. I should know. I did, for five years. I don't think it was just the alcohol though that had something to do with it. I mean, the scent of pure liquor assailing your nostrils when you come within ten feet of a person does have a detrimental effect on one's life, but still, that wasn't the only problem.

Maybe it was the way the rooms he spent most of his time in picked up the same scent, and caused me to hold my breath whenever I went in. Maybe it was the verbal abuse of my mother that caused whatever affection I once had for him to be curdled. Or maybe it was the fact that, according to him, it wasn't he who had the problem; it was my mother and myself.

I think it was the denial that killed everything, actually. When you see someone with what you know in your head to be an incurable disease, you don't automatically hate him or her, do you? You usually think "how sad. I wonder if I can help in any way." But when that same person continually denies that there is a problem at all,

much less a disease, then one's sympathy sours. It gets to the point where you wonder when they are going to kill themselves with their own idiocy, instead of if. It gets to the point where when you see that person you just want to yell at them, instead of speaking soft words of support. Yes, alcoholism is a disease. But some diseases can be prevented. Maybe the actual genetics of a disease cannot be prevented, but manifestation of certain ones can. I mean, it's stupid to start drinking carelessly if you know that you have inherited the gene for alcoholism. But after awhile, it isn't your brain that thinks about the drinks-it's your body. At least, that's the way it ended up with my stepfather.

It wasn't so bad at first. Actually, when mom married him, he treated both of us like human beings. Things deteriorate fast, though, and it wasn't long before we were only secondary to his first love: Jack Daniels. And if it wasn't him, it was Smirnoff or any of the other myriad drinks that lay around our house. You can learn

a lot from a sullen drunk, you know: how to avoid someone like the plague, how to tell at a glance how sober someone is, stuff like that.

You can also learn a lot about anger. Even though he has been out of my life for over a year now, I can still feel the hate. I can still feel my fist curl and my pulse race instinctively whenever I think about him, or see something that reminds me of him, or talk to my mother about him. I am trying to forgive him, but it is one of the most difficult things I have ever tried to do. I know in my head that after a few years, it wasn't really my stepfather that lived with me-it was the specter of his addiction. But that doesn't make it any easier.

I don't mean this to be a rail against people who are alcoholics. I know that alcoholism is a genetically inherited disease, and that people who are alcoholics need help just as much as people who have cancer or diabetes. This is just my perspective on alcoholism. Thank you for reading.

Anonymous

Senior Witch Experience Is Unforgettable

I remember my first year here at Wesleyan and the night of the Senior Witches very vividly. I remember my roommate and me opening our door and letting them come into our room. We let them trash our room, and then they left us a bunch of candy. From that day, I was determined to do whatever it took so that I could go around making all kinds of noise, spraying people with water guns, and throwing candy (peppermints) to people.

The night that I found out that I had been chosen to be a senior

witch was a very happy night. I was so excited because now I was going to be able to carry on a tradition that I had always found exciting. Being a senior witch was a lot of fun, but it was also a lot of work. You would not believe how hot it was under those masks.

Being a Senior Witch was so fun. We were able to interrupt classrooms, drench people with water, and even dismiss classes. I think I enjoyed dismissing class the most because people were so happy that class was over early. I think the best part of being a senior witch was being able to get your friends

back for things that they had done to you, i.e. pouring water on you while you are sitting in lunch. The unveiling was also a lot of fun as well. Having people guess who you were and then turning on you with their own water guns. I remember running out of the Dining Hall and then sneaking back in and getting noticed. I then attempted to hide under a table but that didn't work very well. All in all it was really a lot of fun, and it felt good to be able to carry on one of the many traditions of Wesleyan.

Belinda Buck

SGA President's Report

Student Government Association

SGA has taken on a whole new attitude for the 99-00 academic year. We are working hard to make sure that every student knows that they are a member of the Student Government Association and feels like they have a voice. In order to put some action behind these big words, SGA has taken an active role in changing the day-to-day lives of students who are its members. Issues of communication between faculty, administration, and students were brought to light in a weekly meeting of Senate, so a Town Meeting was called. As a result of questions made in Senate, new

lights are beginning to go up around the library and the lights near Jones are going to be functional by mid-November. When comments/complaints/emoans and groans came into Senate about the quality of food in the cafeteria, Aramark heard the students and has made a proposal to change the services that the dining hall provides. The Student Center is moving ahead, but the only stops along the path have been called by administration in an effort to get student input before making the big choices about what will be best suited to our student body.

In addition to improving cam-

pus life, we have also made a big attempt to increase our presence in the community. We have planned and participated in two Saturday builds for the Macon Area Habitat for Humanity. These events are open to any student who is interested and transportation is provided by SGA. We have had a really good response this semester, but we are trying to build up to the task at hand in February. Habitat is going to be starting on a Women's Build. All of the manual labor and support work will be done by women, and the house will be built for a family with children.

As you can see, we are moving

ahead. Homecoming was so successful that I can not even imagine a better experience for SGA. We raised 165.98 for charity by selling Sistergrams, with the most bought by the Purple Knights class. Congratulations on winning the Spirit Stick!! Keep up the good work, and I want to invite every student who is interested to come to a Senate meeting. We meet Wednesday at 6 pm in the Manget Room of Olive Swann Porter Building. It is your right and obligation to make sure that your voice is heard.

Erin Young
Student Government
Association President

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Op/Ed

My Dream Man

by Rachel Garman

Men. Hmmp. Recently, one of my professors asked me to write on my Dream Man. What am I going to do with a man on Wesleyan campus? Hire a taxidermist to stuff him and then put him on display in my dorm room? But since completing the essay would kind of help my grade out... I obliged. And wrote a very nice, well-mannered paper about my Dream Man. Since it was well-mannered, I left quite a few essential details out. However, if I were to tell the unvarnished truth, my Dream Man would be a little more like this:

First of all, he'd be clean shaven. Why do men think it's a sign of macho-ness to have facial hair? It just serves as a catch all for food and itches when he tries to kiss you. A guy coming towards my face with 3-day old crusty bits of food pierced by the spikes that cover his face is... unattractive to say the least.

Also, he'd have to be able to give incredible massages. Between the stress, work, and lousy posture, my back is always sore or in knots. I put in a hard day's work and, even when I don't, a back rub never hurt. After pulling an all-nighter, I deserve a little pampering. Make that a lot of pampering.

He'd have to be willing to do housework. I am not a maid. He'd better be good at doing housework. Coming home and finding suds flooding my house because he tried to put dishwashing liquid into the dishwasher is not my idea of fun.

He'd have to be able to cook. I am not a private chef. He'd better be good at cooking. Coming home and finding my house burnt to the ground because muffins caught fire is not my idea of fun.

He would have to keep belching down to a minimum. However, he'd better not say anything when I belch. It's my right to break loose every now and then- I've been oppressed for centuries. The same goes for every other vulgarity capable by man... or me.

He had better tell me I'm beautiful- no matter what I look like- everyday. And I mean it. The fact that I am a goddess deserves a little recognition. No matter how horrible, catastrophic, or messy my day has been, I am still drop-dead gorgeous. I would greatly appreciate him saying that quite often.

He's definitely going to be taller than me. My last boyfriend was four inches shorter than me- he had to stand on his tip-toes to kiss me goodnight. Cute, but not overly sexy. I've already said tall - I might as well tack on dark and handsome. Preferably of Latin blood. With an incredible accent.

He would have to be intelligent (now I know I'm dreaming). But I would appreciate being able to carry on a decent conversation about philosophy, deep thoughts, or the answers to my Chemistry homework, and know I'm getting some intelligent replies from the man.

He had better be head over heels in love with me and dedicated to a life-long commitment of loving me. No matter what I do (to him or anyone else). It goes without saying that I am well worth an eternity of love. Regardless of what atrocities I may commit.

He would have to be rolling in the dough. (so I'm shallow - every girl has needs that demand satisfaction.... and being able to buy my own private island happens to be one of those. While I'm at it, let's not forget the hot rod collection, private jet, overstocked wardrobe, vacations in Europe, several mansions scattered across the globe.....)

I think that last requirement covers just about everything else - or makes up for it, anyway. Except for the final all-important one: he'd better be good in bed. Coming home to a night of pleasure is definitely my idea of fun.

I realize my Dream Man is just as unrealistic as Barbie, but if males can dream of unrealistic female bodies, I can dream of unrealistic male characteristics. That's my justification of the fact that I'm doing nothing more than setting myself up for disappointment, anyway. Oh well... If all else fails, there's always my roommate's cheesy, sleazy romance novels.

Sanguine

* It makes me really happy to see a smile on other people's faces.

* It makes me really happy to bring love to my big sisters at Flower March. Just having the opportunity makes my heart smile.

* I love my big sisters, and that includes all classes above me, no matter what sister rules say!!

* I feel so blessed to have ended up at this school, in the company of so many talented, kind, and beautiful friends and sisters. I don't need a dance and a pep rally to celebrate -- I had homecoming as soon as I understood the sisterhood.

* Things that make me happy:

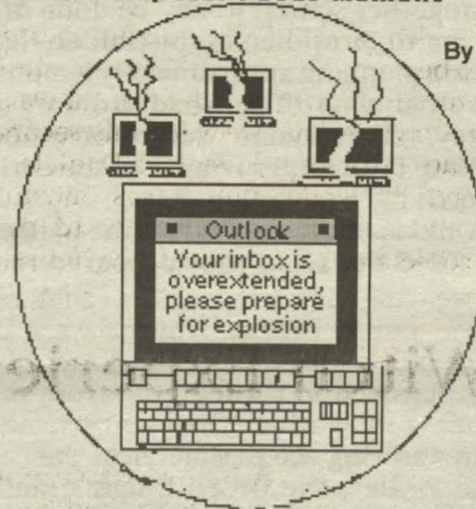
- 1) Muscles that don't ache!
- 2) Rachael, Andrea, Hannah, Erin, Melissa, and Laura W.
- 3) Jesus Christ
- 4) The feeling of accomplishment!
- 5) My parent's understanding, support, unconditional love, and advice.
- 6) Old youth ministers!
- 7) Jesus Christ

* Things that make me happy

- The glass cereal bins in the dining hall.
- My car, which is periwinkle, not blue!
- Namita's smile.
- Mandy Tallant's amazing sewing abilities.

A Computer Focus Moment

By Tiffany Moore



The benefits of mass distribution of email.

CLASS REPORTS

Pirates:

This year has been full of so many wonderful things. For starters, the Pirates of 2001 got Little Sisters this year, The Golden Hearts of 2003. As sad as we were to see our Big Sisters, The Golden Hearts of 1999, graduate and move on, the moment we met our Little sisters, we were very glad for the new beginning. This semester has been a new beginning for most of the Pirate class. We almost have an entirely new executive board. We have had the most participation at a class meeting in several months! 75%!!! We are so excited. Things in the Pirate class are different this year. People who never participated before are getting involved. We are so happy to have all of the Pirates participating in something this year. On a more personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those members of the Wesleyan community who have been so helpful and so supportive of us this year. You will never know the full effect of your kind and thoughtful words. They have truly meant a great deal to us. Again, thanks for everything, and the Pirates are looking forward to more new beginnings starting with Homecoming!! Per aspera ad astra.

Purple Knights:

The PK's are having a tremendous year-what sophomore slump? Things are going well and we're enjoying the year. Homecoming was great and it was wonderful to see the campus decorated, even if it wasn't purple. On another note, we're planning some more fundraisers and events so make sure to be on the lookout for some upcoming PK Hellraisers and other bursts of PK spirit along the way. Although it's a little early, we're starting to get excited about Big Sister/Little Sister Banquet, and we hope our GK sisters are too.

Golden Hearts:

Everyone one worked really hard during homecoming and now it's time to start thinking about some fundraising. We will have our first council meeting soon. We are getting back on our feet and preparing to do some fun things and get some work done.

Homecoming '99

Flower March

It was a secret. E-mails were sent furtively, and women whispered in the halls. No one else could know it was coming. Well, they all knew that it was coming at some point, but no one could know when. That was the big issue. When the time came, though, they all found out, and it was a success.

Flower March is a big tradition at Wesleyan, during which the members of the first year class surprise the upperclasswomen who are special to them with flowers. The kind of flower varies from year to year. This year the flower was the yellow rose- beautiful to the nose as well as the eyes. Unfortunately, some of them had the propensity to shed petals easily, but when all was said and done that was not a big deal. Plus, we had the pleasure of walking on petals in some places- a nice change.

Flower March is not just pretty women giving lovely flowers to other pretty women. It takes a lot of time and planning to get everything together so that it may be done in the best manner possible. Asha Smith, president of the Golden Heart class, said that the officers started planning approximately a month ago. In that month, she and the other class officers had to obtain orders from everyone, collect money, tell everyone what to wear and where to meet, and attempt to keep it all under wraps. In the end, though, all the planning was worth it.

The Golden Heart class met in the hallway of third floor Banks. Excitement filled the air as they prepared to make the march. Everyone was wearing the correct colors (gold, red, purple, and green) and had been put in order. Flowers were counted, the line was checked once more, and the Golden Hearts were off.

They marched in through the front of the cafeteria, loudly singing the class song, which they sang twice. Then, as they continued to file in and ring the perimeter of the cafeteria, they sang the songs of the Pirates, the Green Knights, and the Purple Knights. When they were finished with that and everyone was in the cafeteria, all the Golden Hearts ran to their sisters and presented them with flowers. Everyone hugged and everyone smiled, and that was that. Flower March had come off successfully.

Abigail Waite



Photo by Melissa Spillum

During the March Katie Sidwell gives Marielle Filholm flowers.



The Green Knights celebrate a



Photo by Melissa Spillum

Golden Hearts anxiously await the Flower March.



Photo by Melissa Spillum

Missy Graham with her date prepares to be announced this years homecoming queen



Photo by Parker Leake



Photo by Parker Leake



Photo by Parker Leake



Photo by Parker Leake

Members of the soccer teams take time out to pose for pictures.

Color Rush

Being new to Wesleyan, there are many things I don't quite understand yet. STUNT, the whole 'let's throw all the people we can into the fountain!' mentality, and especially Color Rush. Or shall we say, I used to not understand Color Rush.

To me, it seemed pretty simple. A rush of color onto the old Soccer Field, right? Um, no. It readily became apparent that Color Rush was no simple procedure. It took the precision of a military maneuver to get ready for it. First, we had to decide our theme. Then, the committee had to figure out what they were actually going to do for Color Rush. When that was decided, people signed up, and the details were worked out.

Friday came. Time seemed to crawl by, but finally 3:30 arrived. The Golden Hearts (along with the rest of the classes) gathered at the sundial in front of the Fine Arts building. We worked everything out among ourselves, and got lined up at the edge of the grass. Bodies tensed, we waited for the signal to come.

Then we ran! Over the grass and down the hill behind the gym, screaming with all our might. Unfortunately, it was a false alarm. We sheepishly regrouped and resumed our position. Then the real signal came.

Back over the grass, back down the hill behind the gym we ran, screaming and singing our lungs out. When we got to our allotted plot, we hastily spread out the gold and yellow we had brought with us. We tried our hardest to make as much noise as possible, singing "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" ad nauseum along with all the other cheers we could come up with. We tried to move around as much as we could by running around with our banners, dancing wildly with anyone we could find, and jumping up and down like crazed women.

When the signal to leave came, we became even more frenzied. Everyone grabbed all the gold, yellow, and white that she could and ran to the edge of the field. Once there, we engaged in even more cheers while wondering what was going on with the judging.

Suddenly, everyone started to leave. Not really knowing what was going on, we followed. All the classes gathered around the sundial again and cheered some more. Finally, Tiffany Noel spoke to all the classes in turn about how well we all did in Color Rush- Pirates, Purple Knights, then Golden Hearts. Then she came to the Green Knights and, alluding to Susan Lucci, pulled an enormous love cup out of her bag and threw green confetti at them.

Hysteria ensued. Hugging and jumping up and down and screaming, the Green Knights graciously accepted the award. Color Rush was over.

Abigail Waite

Wesleyan College



Photo by Melissa Spillum

the Color Rush trophy.

News

AIDS Walk Unites Community in Common Cause

I walked because...

~There are many who cannot walk. Until there is a cure I must walk. This may be one way to combat fear, misunderstanding and homophobia. ~Dr. Juanita Carson

~AIDS has been around for far too long. There used to be a strong national fight, but you don't hear much about the disease anymore. I wanted to be something bigger than myself, I wanted to help people I have never met. ~Ellie Coakley

~I haven't given enough back for all I've been given. I walk because no one close to me has ever died of AIDS, and I want to keep it that way. ~Dr. Peggy Ellington

~I want to find a cure for AIDS in the future. ~Rehana Alam

~I originally decided to go on the AIDS walk for the benefit of my students in the first year seminar on "Staging Catastrophe: HIV and the world of the theatre." I walked in memory of several friends who died of AIDS. There is still no cure. New drugs are making it possible for people with AIDS to live longer, but medicines are costly. It was wonderful to take part in a walk and to be part of a large, colorful group who support AIDS research and programs to help people living with the disease. ~Dr. Frazer Lively

~I walked because my FYS was going to do it, and I thought it was a great cause. When I got there, I saw so many people, felt that I was walking for the people suffering from AIDS, for their family and friends, and most of all, I was walking to show support. ~Katie Sidwell

by Rehana Alam

Many students and professors participated in the 1999 AIDS Walk Atlanta at Piedmont Park on October 17, 1999. Among them were Dr. Camille Buckner, Dr. Jeff Prudhomme, Katie Sadler, Rebecca Williams, Shelly St. Pierre, Lauren Strickland, Abbie Smoak, Beth Williford and many others.

This year, thousands of AIDS Walk Atlanta participants walked as part of eight hundred corporate and community-based teams. Teams represented businesses in the fields of advertising, banking, communications, entertainment, fashion, health care, law, public relations, real estate and retail, among others. Community-based teams were also organized by numerous artistic organizations, government agencies, health organizations, religious organizations and schools.

Those who participated in AIDS Walk Atlanta helped raise over \$1.5 million dollars that will benefit several organizations. These include AID Atlanta, Inc., AID Gwinnett, Inc., AIDS Legal Project, AIDS Research Consortium of Atlanta, AIDS Survival Project, AIDS Treatment Initiatives, Atlanta Interfaith AIDS Network (AIAN), ChildKind, Haven House Foundation, Jerusalem House, Our Common Welfare, OUTREACH, INC., Pets Are Loving Support, Inc. (P.A.L.S.), Positive Impact, Inc. and Project Open Hand.

Before the walk there was a fifteen minute long aerobic warm-up followed by the Opening Ceremony attended by special guests

Evander Holyfield, three time heavyweight champion of world, and Anthony Rapp, actor. Anthony Rapp performed "Seasons of Love" from the musical "Rent," followed by a performance of "You'll Never Walk Alone" by the St. Mark's United Methodist Church Choir.

The weather was bright and clear for the walk, which began at 2 pm. The AIDS Atlanta Race Entertainment was provided by Glenton & Associates, Calvin McGowan, Watershed Red, Atlanta Freedom Marching Band, Atlanta Hawks Dance Team, and Chy Coligano's African Drums. Entertainers were wearing AIDS walk t-shirt and fluorescent green caps as they cheered walkers along.

After the walk, Lifeboy with Anthony Rapp presented an impressive guitar pop. Doria Rents followed with a smooth, mellow jazz/blues combination. This was followed by Gurufish with piano driven baroque pops, Gwork Hughes & Retro Jazz Kats, Beehoul and then the closing announcements to officially end the event.

~I walk for those who have died, for those who will die, and for the future cure. The walk was very symbolic for me. Each step represented each new technique or idea we use to develop a treatment for AIDS patients. Each step we take has value.

~Anonymous (ID restriction)

Career Women's Network Mentor Program Kicks Off

by Melissa Spillum

Wesleyan College, with the help of Barbara Rowan, hosted a Mentor Luncheon on Thursday, October 14th to enable Wesleyan students to meet mentors provided by the Career Women's Network.

A panel presentation led by women from within the Career Women's Network was held before the luncheon and offered information on how to build a career and establish contacts. The presentation was open to all students, though only students involved in the program were able to stay for the luncheon.

The focus of the mentor program is to provide students with a contact within their field of interest. Students were able to specify a profession in which they were interested, and a mentor was assigned according to vocation and availability.

Students will meet with their mentors once a month for a total of ten times throughout the year. These meetings will usually be held in the mentor's place of work to help the student gain a better sense of the work environment and the conditions in which they will be expected to perform. The student will gain knowledge of her chosen occupation and will attain necessary skills. She will also establish valuable contacts that will enable her to make her dream a reality.

Rebecca Williams, a first year involved in the program states, "I think that the Career Women's Network Mentor Program will be a positive experience because we will be more aware of our responsibilities and required qualifications."

With this program, Wesleyan provides yet one more way for its students to become leaders.

Giovanni Visits Wesleyan Community

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more just in its deliberations and more tolerant in terms of its treatment of people of all races and sexual orientations. This coming from a woman who had been a member of the Black Panther Movement and who had also experienced the harsh realities of an openly racist society, was symbolic of the ability to progress from past attitudes towards race and gender in the South.

"I wanted Giovanni to challenge the students as to who they are and what their place is in the society," stated Dr. Martin. It appears that he has achieved his aim. Not only has Nikki Giovanni excited many students about writing, but she has also left an indelible mark on the entire student population here at Wesleyan.

Very few women have been able to make it in the world and still retain the propensity to laugh in the face of adversity, as has

Giovanni. Her dry humor and matter-of-fact comments, not only won her the admiration of many but also allowed her to easily relate to her audience. As a poet, an essayist, a lecturer, and a professor, Giovanni has proven to the world that women are to be taken seriously. The energy that she generated on campus has greatly intensified the fervor for success that has driven many young women to excel in both academics and sports at Wesleyan.

Above all, Giovanni will perhaps be most remembered and admired by many for her amazing ability to eliminate the complexity of life issues, in favor of viewing them in a less biased and overwhelming light. However, perhaps the most impressive feature of her personality that will forever be etched into people's memories is her incredible capacity to capture the very meaning of life, and immortalize its essence within the framework of beautiful poetry.

Features

Herstory week presents students with little known history about Wesleyan College

by Lindy Minore

Herstory Week was November through the 5th and one of the major highlights was the convocation, "Tales from the Wesleyan Vault: Distant Drums." The convocation has been a tradition for 100 years, and continues to be among the most popular throughout the year. Pat Hardeman, a Wesleyan alumna and Assistant Dean and Registrar of the college, leads the program. This year she focused on international students who had to travel a great distance to attend Wesleyan.

In 1893 there were five women attending Wesleyan whose homes were located in "Indian Territory." One of these women was Mary Clinton, who was from Red Fork, which was located in what would later become Oklahoma. The tuition plus room and board then was \$100 per semester and students were graded in areas such as diligence, Bible reading, cleanliness of room, and elocution, as well as their subjects.

In 1936, prior to commercial airlines, thirty-five states, the District of Columbia, and twelve countries were represented at Wesleyan. Today, the college continues to possess an extremely di-

verse student population. This was due to Laura Haygood, class of 1864, who was known as Wesleyan's "link to international students." She entered Wesleyan as a sophomore at the age of fifteen and graduated two weeks before Sherman's army marched through Macon. She founded the Atlanta School for Girls, which prospered for seventy-five years. Her friend, Young Allen, a missionary to Shanghai, persuaded her to visit China at the age of forty. She discovered that upper class girls were not allowed to attend school, and so in 1892 she opened the McTyeire School just for them. Many of its pupils later attended Wesleyan, including the Soong sisters.

The Soong sisters are Wesleyan's most famous alumnae and their history at Wesleyan is interesting. Ai-ling Soong arrived as a sub-freshman when she was fourteen. Four years later her fifteen-year-old sister Ching-ling and ten-year-old sister May-ling arrived. A year after graduating, Ching-ling married Sun Yat-sen and later became the first lady of China. On display at the convocation was a beautiful Manchu court robe donated by May-ling. May-ling Soong is the only sister

still living today.

Hardeman then introduced alumnae from around the world. During World War II, many of Wesleyan's alumnae were living in Europe. Genevieve Vasset, '32, is one such of these students. She had two children; the second one was very sadly under-cared for. Wesleyan sent her baby supplies and food. In 1948 a letter arrived at Wesleyan from Maria Schmidt from Vienna, Austria. All of her possessions, except for her furniture, had been burned. We sent out care packages, and after that she was never heard from again.

Induk Pakk may have been our first Encore student. The Seoul woman was twenty-four years old, married, and had one child. She was born under great signs, which were believed to be a waste since she was female. Her father died of cholera when she was seven, and so her mother always taught her how to act and look like a boy. Their ploy to get her educated worked: she attended Wesleyan. After graduation, she went back to Korea to found the Berea in Korea Foundation. She raised \$200,000 and decided to use it to open a training school for boys, since it is considered taboo for men to work with their hands in

that country. That school still stands today and has a 40 million-dollar endowment.

The vault of Wesleyan College is filled with innumerable facts such as, no student may have visitors, enter a shop, or make a purchase, on or off-campus, without the direct permission of the president. The convocation makes it possible to meet some of these and also to learn stories about some of Wesleyan's esteemed alumnae.

CRC hosts Religious Emphasis Month on Campus

by Rehana Alam

Month of Religious Emphasis, MORE, lasted the whole month of October. The Council of Religious Concerns, CRC, sponsors MORE. The first week was Wesleyan Christian Fellowship's week. During their week they did a walk simulating the walk around Jericho in the Bible.

The second week was BSU's. They did not get to do much because of the Fall Break. But there was a fabulous convocation on the 19th with Rehana Alam, Farzana Ajani and Supriya Reddy as the speakers discussing Islam - Sunni, Islam - Aga Khani and Hinduism respectively. There was a long question answer session after the convocation, and made sure that the audience were not only there but were listening and paying attention to them.

The third week was Catholic Student Ministry's week. During their week, they held a Mass on campus.

The fourth week was International Club's week. It was actually the International Awareness Week. They had an informal conversation with Dr. Manian discussing topics from life to what lies in the future. Followed by an international movie night, the French version of Three Men and a Baby with English Subtitles, a great comedy, played. And the name writing in the afternoon in different languages and on the last day, international dress-up day.

In addition, all of the groups decorated the bulletin board outside of the Anderson Dining Hall with pictures and other things that represented their group during their week. MORE month has been successful with a lot of participants in it.

Dear Delphi:

good old-fashioned advice

Dear Delphi,
How on Earth are Wesleyan students supposed to meet guys?!!!
Desperate

Dear Desperate,
Off campus.
Delphi

Dear Delphi,
Why is it that the construction company that the school hired can renovate all the dorms and not finish the room that's next to the campus post office?
Impatient

Dear Impatient,
The company renovated all the dorms fairly quickly and one of the cabinets they installed in the dorms dropped off the wall and fell on a student head. Be glad they're taking their time. Hopefully something good (and safely installed) will come out of it.
Delphi

Dear Delphi,

I am very concerned about the image Brittany Spears is projecting to the younger generation. She went from being a cute child star to attempting to be a provocative sex object. Don't you think this sends the wrong message to younger teens who might possibly look up to her, that if you are innocent, you have to change in order to be popular? What pop culture icons would you suggest as an alternative to Brittany, who are good, positive role models?

Deep-Thinker

Dear Deep-Thinker,

Yes, Brittany Spears does send the wrong message. Unfortunately, she sends it to children much younger than teenagers. As for pop culture icons, none of them should be role models. A child should look to his own family and community and choose a real life role model and mentor who will help guide the child in

accomplishing his or her dreams. Television, radio, magazines, pro sports - these are not the places for children to find role models. Some readers may wonder "What if there are no role models in the home or the community?" For those readers who wondered, join a mentoring program. Don't just ask the question and do a little worrying - become part of the solution.

Delphi

Dear Delphi,

If a cow laughs really hard, does milk come out of its nose?
Just Curious

Dear Just Curious,

No, cud comes out. (Hypothetically, anyway. A cow's ability to laugh is debatable, but a cow's milk glands are not attached to its nose.)

Delphi

Miscellaneous

Mathews Fitness Center Opening Welcomes All

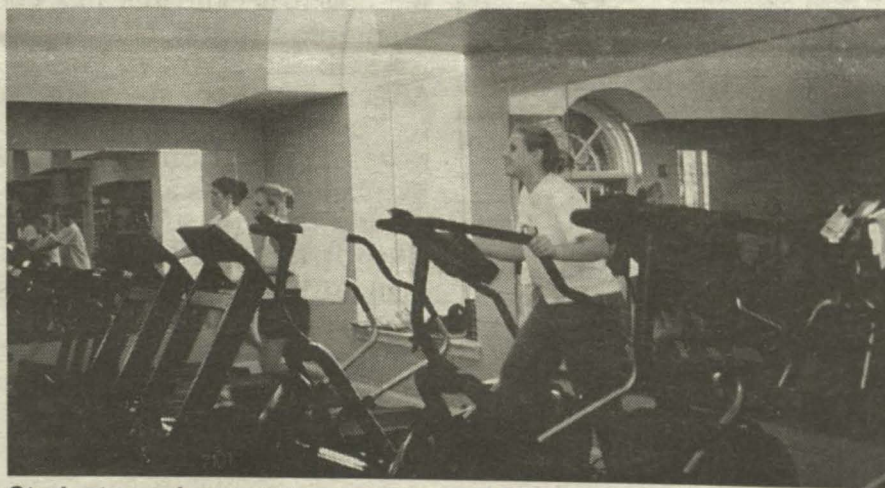
by Rebecca Williams

The Mathews Fitness Center opened September 13, 1999. The center is under the direction of Wellness Coordinator April Edmonson. It is a part of the Mathews Athletic Complex, which was created by the generosity of George W. Mathews, Jr. The donation was made in honor of his sister, Mary Ann Mathews Pease (Wesleyan class of 1944), his mother, Weeta Watts Mathews (Wesleyan class of 1919), and his grandmother, Annie MacDonnell Mathews (Wesleyan class of 1880). Their dedication service was held on November 4, 1999, to thank Mr. Mathews for his generous contributions.

The Mathews Fitness Center is a state of the art complex. Wesleyan students are privy to one of the nicest gyms around, and it is free. So why do we not take advantage of such a valuable resource? There is absolutely no excuse. There is ample time for everyone to take a trip around the lake to get fit, and there are options for people of all different shapes, sizes, and fitness levels. For the movers and the shakers, there is a wide array of aerobic classes, including step, kickboxing, cycle reebok, sculpting and the cardio blast. For those of us who do not have the energy for such an intense work-out, the gym is equipped with treadmills, stationary bikes, step climbers, and the normal Nautilus machines. There

is something there for each and every individual to use to his or her own benefit. If you blame your inactivity on a lack of knowledge about the machines, then find a new excuse because Mrs. Edmonson offers orientation sessions, which she strongly recommends for all. Schedule an appointment and bring a friend or a whole group. Just get moving!

Wellness is such an important part of our lives. As Mrs. Edmonson pointed out, "Wellness is defined as possessing a maximum level of well being. Wellness integrates body and mind and spirit through six dimensions: social, spiritual, physical, intellectual, career and emotional. These six areas need to be in balance to achieve a high level of wellness. Everyone is encouraged to take part and reap the benefits the Mathews Fitness Center has to offer. Give it a try, and you will be glad you did."



Students work out at the new Fitness Center

Photo by Melissa Spillum

CJA sponsors Alcohol Awareness Week

by Brandy Heineman

During the week of October 19-25, the Council on Judicial Affairs sponsored Alcohol Awareness Week. Not as many activities as usual took place this year because CJA has a new Board, and the new members were still organizing. However, this year's events were very successful.

The week included Mocktails, where students try to create the best non-alcoholic mixed drink. Members of CJA used fruit juice, carbonated water, ice, and a blender to make popular drinks without the alcohol. The drinks were served to students before dinner.

On October 20, several students dressed in black and painted their faces, and were "dead" for the day. In the evening there was a convo-

cation about alcohol and addiction. The "dead" participants shared their stories about their alcohol-related deaths, while others played the roles of the grieving families left behind. All of the skits were quite touching, and they all delivered similar messages. None of the victims "thought it would happen to them," and none of them "wanted this to happen." Some expressed how quickly "a little fun" can turn to tragedy, while others showed how problems develop over time. They also showed that alcohol abuse is not only the problem of the drinker, but of every person involved with that drinker. In some cases friends were left dealing with the aftermath, but in others, the drinker's actions led to

someone else's death. The skits displayed the far-reaching consequences of alcohol abuse.

Following the student portion of the program, recovering alcoholic Don Wilkinson gave a talk on what it means to have an addiction. He warned students that alcoholism is a disease and that once it has developed, it is extremely difficult to overcome.

Though this year's Alcohol Awareness Week was shortened by unforeseen circumstances, it can still be counted as a success. The events were light-hearted enough to be fun and interesting to the student body, while also being serious enough to arrest the students' attention and make everyone more aware of the dangers of alcohol.

Have a

Happy

Thanksgiving!



Residence Halls close from November 24 -28

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created by several underclassmen led by a fellow GK. These GKs were also amused by the tale of Christie McAlum playing harmonica and listened with us to happy tunes such as "Put a log on the Fire." The Green Knights who went to Jamaica had an adventure as well. According to Tiffany Moore, "during our stay in Jamaica, we shopped till we dropped, got a phone number, two, received suntans and sunburns, drank a little (or a lot) depending on the person, windsurfed, swam nude, sailed, went to Montego Bay, danced, and enjoyed the view. The trip was fun and enjoyable, but there were a few uncertain moments such as the fact that one of our members, Sheila Williams, injured her ankle before she even left the camp while another one, Courtney, was unfortunately stung by an evil jelly fish." While the trip to Jamaica did have some peril, the Green Knights seem to have had a wonderful time and brought back many pictures and memories to share with their friends.

All in all, Senior Skip was a success. Senior Skip is about enjoyment, and as everyone knows that is a GK speciality. Whether on campus or in Jamaica, GK's have fun and gained memories that they will cherish and never forget.

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Wesleyan College reaches out to the community through WOW: A Day for Macon

by LaRhanda McTizic

On February 12, 2000, 85 participants from Wesleyan College came out to help in the first Annual outreach day called WOW: A Day for Macon. Students, faculty, staff, and Board of Associate members arrived at 8:00 am for an opening rally and continental breakfast in the first floor lobby of Corn Hall.

At 8:45 am the volunteers gathered in their respective groups, all wearing Wesleyan's colors or clothing, and left for the service sites. WOW was initiated through the efforts of Renie Porter as a way for Wesleyan to pay back the community for all the years and ways that they have supported the college.

"Wesleyan has been in Macon 164 years, and we have enjoyed so much good will from the community that it was time to give

back," says Porter. She continued by saying that, "Hopefully this will help spread the need for community service to the campus family. This will be an annual event if not more." Participants went to five different sites from 9am-12pm. These sites included a Girl Scout Hike at Ocmulgee Mounds, Habitat for Humanity Build, Aunt Maggie's Kitchen, Macon Rescue Mission and Senior Friends.

Afterwards everyone convened at Oval Hall for lunch provided by Dominoes Pizza on Forsyth Road. Once everyone from the sites returned to the Oval Hall, each group took turns having a leader come up and speak about their experiences. Each group told about what they learned and even some of the fun events that took place.

After each speaker from the site was finished the door prizes were given out. These prizes included

a \$20 gift certificate to Cherry Corner, dinner for two to Gulf Coast Grill, a gift basket from In Good Taste, two tickets to The Sound of Music at Macon Little Theatre and dinner for two at The Grey Goose.

In upholding Wesleyan College's mission statement which says "A firm grasp of enduring human values is basic to principled living and intelligent service," many businesses in the community donated items for use during the day. Some of the donated items include lunches for the Girl Scout hike provided by Aramark, plants donated by Lowes home improvement store for Aunt Maggie's Kitchen and Senior Friends. Warner

Smith of Coast Petroleum Services also donated the sodas for the Habitat site.



photo by Renie Porter
Aunt Maggie's Kitchen site

Yearbook Starts Off Year With Struggle for Existence

by Tiffany Moore

Taylor Johnson, The editor of the Wesleyan Yearbook, the Vetteropt, delivered disturbing news about the fate of the 1999-2000 yearbook during the January 12, 2000, Student Government Meeting (SGA). Last year's editor, Amanda Marine, managed to go several thousand dollars in debt because she failed to meet deadlines and perhaps used unnecessarily large amounts of money for decorating the cover of the yearbook. Johnson revealed that the golden foil heart alone cost several thousand dollars, and that this debt and the numerous late fees added up to over ten thousand dollars which the budget of this current year's Vetteropt had to pay. Thus, the barely minimal amount that the yearbook started off with of around \$22,000 was

depleted and left the current yearbook staff to create the Vetteropt with an amount slightly over \$11,000. Even for a very minimal yearbook, the amount was not enough to cover the costs of production and shipping.

Johnson prepared a report detailing the possible options that the yearbook staff could take: the first was to have no yearbook at all, the second was to have a sort of flimsy pamphlet picture book (sort of like the glossy magazine's the school sends out), and the final option was to have a combination year book of 1999-2000 and 2000-2001.

The Student government found that all of these alternatives were very unattractive, and asked Johnson if there were any other

possibilities. She informed Senate that the only way that she could have a yearbook for the current year was to have a rapid infusion of money. Indeed, she needed a firm commitment of money by February.

Senate discussed the issue and decided to send a proposal to the students seeing if they would be willing to pass a measure that would allow Senate to bill each student ten dollars in order to pay for the yearbook. During the general election, the majority of the voting student body decided for this proposal. Currently there has been no move to collect this money. However, Taylor Johnson sent a proposal to Senate on February 2, 2000, to get the bare minimum amount to create a yearbook (\$6,000), and that motion was passed.

The yearbook now has enough money to create a small yearbook for the 1999-2000 year. However, if the money from the student body was collected, the yearbook could be bigger and have more events featured. Currently, the status on getting the money from students is on hold. However, some good news is available for the Vetteropt, the Student Recreational Council (SRC) has donated six hundred dollars to the production of the yearbook. Johnson has sent out an appeal for money to the organizations on campus in hopes that other groups may be willing to donate any extra money to the yearbook budget. However, even without the extra money, the yearbook staff is working hard already and hopes to have the yearbook ready for the Fall 2000 Homecoming.

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Editorials

Fears and Joys of Leaving

Graduation: A word that invokes joy and fear. Joy to finally earn the diploma that you've worked so hard to gain—taking classes that you never thought you'd enjoy or survive, and finding out that sometimes those classes are the ones you remember most fondly. Sometimes though the fear overwhelms the joy as you realize that you are leaving this 'safe' world and going to confront the 'real' world, which is unknown and frightening. We, the Green Knight class, have worked so hard from the time we were first years—most of us unsure and bewildered by the choices and decisions that we had to make in an unknown environment.

I can still remember how frightened I was when my parents left. I felt abandoned, which was ridiculous, since they were supposed to leave, but it was hard to realize that I was on my own for the first time. I was so afraid of all the new people I was meeting, and it didn't help that my roommate moved out the second or third week of school. I remember the first time I met my PA and my big sister; I could barely say a word because I was so frightened. My professors were even worse, and I was constantly afraid that I would go to the wrong class (which wasn't an unfounded fear since I got confused about what day it was and went to lab on Wednesday, but it was scheduled for Monday).

By the end of my freshman year though, everything changed. I had a solid group of friends who I could talk to about my problems. I missed my parents, but I adjusted to the fact that I was on my own. I had joined several clubs, and at the end of the year ran for two class positions which to my surprise I won (okay so I was the only one running, but I WAS approved). I was looking forward to my sophomore year and already missing my friends who I wouldn't see until the fall.

Sophomore year was wonderful, but there were a couple of sad moments. I learned that I could be good at representing my class and that I enjoyed having leadership positions (which was a change from high school where I was afraid of my own shadow). I still wasn't very good at presentations (I always wanted to hide under the table when it was my

turn). I was finally starting to get rid of my gen ed. courses and looking forward to taking classes in my majors. The only low points were the Homecoming Pep Rally and graduation. At the pep rally, I, along with my classmates, realized that our big sisters were going to graduate, and that things would never be the same. We couldn't imagine surviving without them. The PKs of 1998 had such strength and love, and we could never replace them. Not to mention the fact that we were to be Big Sisters. Graduation was so final; never again would our Big Sisters take classes with us, see us at lunch, or join us for the everyday traditions such as cheering in the cafeteria randomly or complaining about having to go to convocation.

Junior year was confusing. Now, we were Big Sisters, and we had to start preparing for being seniors, making sure that our schedules would fit in the few and hard to get gen ed. classes we had waited to take as well as allowing us to take our major classes. This proved to be difficult because again we were the last to register (AGAIN). Suddenly, we were supposed to start making decisions about our future; it was time to think about grad. school or jobs.

The year, senior year, for some still hasn't brought concrete answers although it's been an experience that we will never forget (such as Senior Skip, Color Rush, and doing all those lost minute projects such as the trip to Washington and Senior Seminar). Some of us are going to graduate school, some are getting jobs, and others are hoping divine inspiration will strike and provide an answer. Senior year is tough because while we are so glad to be graduating, we'll miss our little sisters and our friends who will no longer be there to listen to our problems and let us cry on their shoulders at the exact moment that we need them. There is so much confusion because our joy and hope for the future is mixed with sadness and fear. However, although we may leave Wesleyan, Wesleyan (our sister, traditions, knowledge, and love) shall never leave us and neither will our debts (both monetary and emotion) to this place we have live and struggled with for the past four years.

-Tiffany Moore

10 Things to Be Improved at Wesleyan

Not in any particular order:

1. The library. I would love to be able to find newer books and more articles. I would love having more library books, period. I would also appreciate furniture from a less tacky decade. I know that's superficial of me, but orange and avocado are not overly attractive colors. And the furniture is none too comfortable, either.

2. The salad bar. More than one fruit would be heavenly. Soup a little less watery would be divine. Could we have a baked potato bar as well? Probably not, but I'll settle for more veggies and salad lettuce cut small enough to fit in my mouth.

3. The ongoing construction. Finish it, please!

4. The ducks. Ok, they're cute and add a nice touch to the scenery, but I'm tired of jumping over duck poop on the sidewalk. And I'm always afraid I'll trip over one and he/she will feel compelled to bite me, or peck me, or whatever it is ducks do when they're angry and want to hurt you.

5. The lack of ovens and dishwashers in the dorm kitchens. I have a cabinet full of dishes. So does my roommate. We could fill up a dishwasher easily. And not have to worry about washing our dishes in a tiny sink and splashing water everywhere. As for the ovens, I would love to be able to cook cookies and cakes and pasta and stew and chicken noodle soup when I'm not feeling well. What is so wrong with having at least one oven in every dorm? (Aside from the fact that no one would eat in the cafeteria.)

6. The campus shutting down on weekends. I've spent several frustrated weekends waiting for desperately needed money that couldn't get here because the post office isn't open on the weekends. I've spent even more frustrating weekends with a check that has arrived, but is

made out to me, so no one besides the student bank can cash it. (No, I don't have a checking account in Macon. I don't have enough money to make that even reasonable. And I like the student bank's location. I just hate its hours.)

7. The art facilities. Umm... They're pathetic. The artists on campus are not only creative geniuses they're miracle workers as well, considering what they have to work with. A new coat of paint is not going to fix the real problem.

8. The stairs. I don't mind going up and down them (I've never had better-looking thighs), but I do mind that they're just a little slippery. The stairs in the Tate Building are awful. Tread on the inside of the step is not going to help - the tread needs to be on the outside edge. I fell down the Tate steps twice in my beginning semester. I now take my time on all steps, but especially the ones up to the cafeteria - they're linoleum (no traction whatsoever) and exceedingly skinny in depth. I just know I'm going to break my neck on them one wet day.

9. The process of getting an outside phone line. Don't ask me what my PAC is, I don't know. It was programmed into my phone, but when the plug got pulled for Christmas vacation, it was lost. And I have no clue what dozen or more numbers I have to punch in to dial someone off campus. I use e-mail - the phone is simply too much confusion and work.

10. The time differences. The cafeteria clock says one thing, the library clock says another, Tate and Taylor have different times. I'd set my watch 5 minutes fast to prevent my being late, but I have no idea what time it really is. I go to class thinking I'm late and turn out to be early and I go to work on time and turn out to be late. Please, I'm begging someone in charge - synchronize the clocks!

-Rachel Garman

Editor's Note

When I took this job as editor I made the decision to keep as much censorship away from our campus newspaper as possible. Therefore I must remind all readers that the opinions expressed in the Editorial and Opinion-Editorial sections are those of their owners. Some of them are expressed by people who sign their names and others aren't. Neither is more important than the other but I would be remiss to cut either of them from the paper out of a fear that it would cause waves in our campus community. I would also like to remind everyone (faculty, staff and students) that you can respond to what is written or what is happening on our campus through editorials, Bile, Sanguine, and letters to the Editor. -LMM

Perspectives from an Encore Student

I have been asked to tell what my experience has been as an encore student here at Wesleyan College. To begin with I was terrified, but I knew that with my "baby years" behind me, it was my turn to grow. Like many others of my era, I had married young (18) and had children within a few years. I chose Wesleyan specifically because we laugh and rant and rave and cry together. It is a wonderful opportunity to bridge this silly little generation gap between "The Baby Boomers" and "Generation X". We seem to build on our commonalities and gain respect and insight from one another. I prefer to have the choice of night or day classes, as well as exposure to the younger people keeps me in reality, and I hope that my friends here feel the same way about my presence.

My fellow encore students are a great comfort and resource for me. Sometimes only they can truly relate to my tribulations. For example, being caregivers, off campus, financial duress's, self-esteem issues, and unfair treatment. Our time is even more consumed than the campus bound younger generation. We struggle continuously with these difficulties, and unfortunately we sometimes do not overcome them. Sometimes they even wear us down. That is when we really pull together for each other. Our problems are legitimate, and we, as adults, have earned the right for our concerns to be addressed, but for the most part they are ignored. I would like to hear from the rest of the encore students: their stories, their concerns, and their joys for life here at Wesleyan College.

Debbie Suazo
Former Encore Student

Student News

From the Pirates:

Pirates have hit the ground running this semester beginning with our January Service Project. We volunteered at the Macon Rescue Mission on Saturday, January 15th. We had a lot of fun, and we are hoping to be able to do more service projects in the future. Our service project for February is our Annual Book Drive. All of the books we collect will be given to Project Read. This year the Pirates were able to give over \$200 to our class charity from Pirate Penny. And the FUN isn't over! Pirates have much more in store for this semester. We are starting to get excited about being seniors soon. The second semester of the Junior year is always a busy one. Whenever you see a Pirate this semester, she is probably on the go. But don't worry...we won't be too busy for STUNT!

From the Purple Knights:

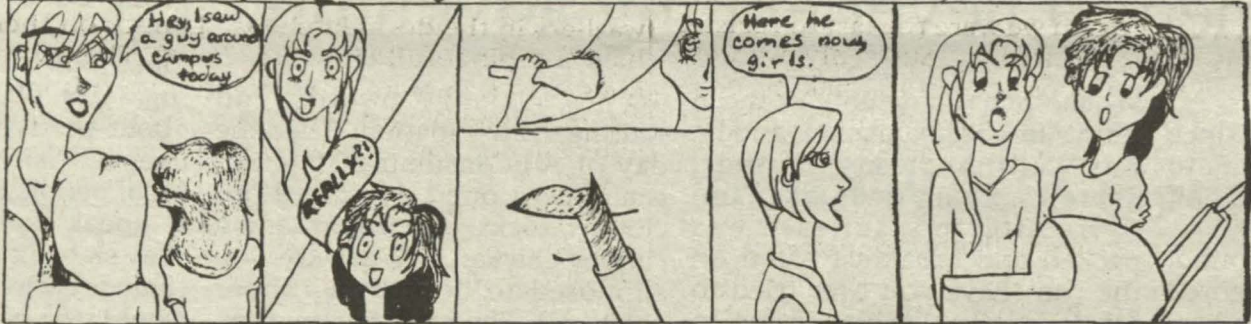
The PK Class has been working hard on planning the Big Sister/Little Sister Banquet for March. The PK Auction in January was a big help towards raising money for the banquet, as several members of the class were auctioned off to the highest bidder! Our first PK Hellraiser of the year, a scavenger hunt, went really well as the class found themselves being scavenged as they were hunting down items. We're definitely looking forward to STUNT 2000 and hoping to have a lot of fun with it. All in all, it's been a hectic, but fun year for the Purple Knights and we are definitely tired of being proper and prim!

From the Golden Hearts:

We are basically working on fundraising to start raising money for the Big Sister/Little Sister Banquet.

Have fun with Stunt!!!
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SGA News

From the Presidents desk

This semester the focus of SGA is on working together as a community. We are sending several groups to conferences in order to have information about Wesleyan circulated to other colleges and information about programming and work done at other schools brought back to benefit Wesleyan. These conferences include the SEPA conference involving the psychology students on campus, the NACA conference for CAB events and programming, and the Republican and Democratic national Conventions to allow for political growth of the Wesleyan community. Along with monetary allocations, SGA has also given of

its time by working with WOW...A Day for Macon and individual building sites with Habitat for Humanity. Before the end of the semester, we hope to be well on the way to establishing a Habitat for Humanity chapter on campus. Everyone is welcome to attend SGA meetings at anytime during the semester. Interested parties should come to the Manget Dining Room on Wednesdays at 6pm. We will all look forward to seeing anyone who would like to see the student government in full action!! Have a great semester. Sincerely, Erin E. Young SGA President

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Student Bile

*I think the GHs should be able to cheer as long as they want (hint: Coast to Coast). There are plenty of other cheers for other classes that are just as long.

*I seriously think public displays of affection should be banned in the cafeteria. I think it's disgusting when men and women do it near food, and it utterly disgusts me to see two women. In case you wonder, I'm close-minded and don't plan on changing the way I view homosexuality.

*My complaint. I have been at this school for half a year now. This is what I see. A lot of straight people who are scared to voice any negative opinions to try and get anything changed because everything they say ultimately turns into a lesbian/straight war. Say something negative about Sisterhood, it will eventually turn into a lesbian vs. straight match. Say something negative about the class system, or pep rallies, color rush, or just the school in general and I can almost guarantee you the same results. This is not a problem that can be solved by any one group, but by individuals. When you are defending your opinion... look at what you are saying. Are you actually arguing about the issue at hand or is it deeper than that? There are a lot of people here who are afraid to speak their minds. Instead, they sit back and mumble under their breath. I wish that people would stop being so fake and just reveal their true feelings--more will be accomplished and EVERYONE at Wesleyan will be having a better time.

Sanguine Comments

I can't wait for STUNT - it will be a blast and the GH committee is super!

One of the simple pleasures I find in life is being able to sit around eating cheesecake and talking about things that have no answers. This makes me truly happy.

The CAB R & B party was a blast! It was definitely better than any night at Club 2000.

I think the newspaper staff is doing a wonderful job on the paper.

I love Kris and EJ! They make me smile on a daily basis! And I LOVE the PK STUNT committee...we are ready to kick some booty (in a sisterly way, of course!)

Sitting around just talking to my sisters make me happy.

Going home is a never ending adventure

I realize it's been a while since Christmas, but I'm still trying to recover. At least this time I didn't get lost in the airport.

I arrived home safe and sound, and my family promptly ignored me. It seems my family had recently acquired both cable and internet access. And the wondrous presence of me was, in my family's opinion, outshone by the multitude of TV shows and many websites and games out there. So, left to my own devices, I slept, ate, and slept. It may not sound like much, but I was happy. Sleeping and eating real food is not something I get to do much of at college. As far as I was concerned, that kind of Christmas vacation was hunky-dory.

But my happiness was not to last. Every year, for as long as I can remember, my family has made an annual Christmas pilgrimage to Arizona and my grandparents' homes. This year was, unfortunately, no exception. So, at 4 in the morning, my father shook me out of bed, and I got to run around like a headless chicken trying to pack a suitcase at the last minute. (My little brother forgot to do the laundry, and my clothes were in the washing machine, still sopping wet.

My mother was yelling at me; I was yelling at my brother, and he was yelling at my mother. There's nothing quite like family.) After my suitcase was packed and breakfast eaten on the run (have you ever tried to eat a doughnut while trying to put your shoes on?), we embarked on The Roadtrip at 5:30 a.m.

My parents have a minivan and four teenage kids. There's a reason that van's called a mini: it's small. After two hours, it's tiny. After ten, it's microscopic. I was assigned a seat with my brother Jordan. I stretched out, ran my feet into the window, propped my head up with a pillow, and slept. I woke up three hours later with Jordan's feet right next to my head. He had yellow fungi growing on his socks, which, by the way, smelled like vinegar and pickle juice long gone bad. I screamed. Mom screamed back. Apparently my parents aren't overly fond of yelling in the vehicle. I made Jordan wrap his feet in a blanket and spent the rest of the journey sleeping... or trying to.

We arrived at my grandparent's house around midnight. The next few days were spent eating the best food in the world--watch-

ing TV, playing Upwords, and waiting in anticipation. Then the day of All-Consuming Materialism rolled around. I received Pez, clothes, socks, underwear, and a rubber chicken. (What are you supposed to do with a rubber chicken?) The next day my family went down to visit my other grandparents, where, among other assorted items, I received a demon-possessed fuzzball. I think it's supposed to be a bear, but it has no back legs, just two front paws, a face and a tail. When you squeeze it, it's eyes glow red and it says "Me hungry...." If I had been five or six years younger, I would have screamed when I first heard it say that. Let's just say the fuzzball's voice doesn't sound Smurf-like. It doesn't even sound remotely cute. It sounds hungry and borderline demonic.

And that, folks, is the gist of my Christmas vacation (okay, maybe not the gist of it, but I'm running out of room). I suffered another road trip back home, I survived Y2K, and I arrived back here safe and found. (As opposed to safe and lost.) Oh well.... At least the demonic fuzzball has inspired in me a new appreciation and fondness for socks and underwear.

-Rachel Garman

News

Pirates Show Their Service Spirit Council on Judicial Affairs Teaches Defense

by Stephanie Dunda

On January 15, 2000, five dedicated members of the Pirate class decided to give a little back to the Macon community by donating time and a little elbow grease to the Macon Rescue Mission. These volunteers were Joanne Sales, Katie Buice, Jywanya Smith, Shannon Kunday, and Stephanie Dunda who gave the Mission's dining area and kitchen a thorough scrubbing and then organized and cleaned the food storage area. After

a non-profit organization that serves as a food distribution center and temporary residence for men, women, and families who are trying to save money. The residents are allowed to stay for free in exchange for a few hours of volunteer service each week. When they have saved enough money, they move out, and their vacant apartments are filled. The Mission meets nightly for chapel services and on holidays for a group dinner.

The Pirates had a chance to



Jywanya Smith, Katie Buice, Joanne Sales, and Shannon Kunday ham it up while organizing the food storage area.

they cleaned themselves up a bit, they helped prepare the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday meal by peeling and slicing a mountain of potatoes.

The Macon Rescue Mission is speak with a few residents. The people were thankful to receive a helping hand and invited the Pirates to return soon. Way to show that Service Spirit, Ladies!

by Brandy Heineman

On January 26, 2000, CJA sponsored a Self-Defense Workshop. Instructors from Burt Brown's Tae Kwon Do Plus gave students pointers and demonstrations of ways to stop an attacker.

Johnny Barnett led the workshop, beginning with a warning that most of the techniques we would see require some practice before they can be executed properly. He gave a short speech on the best places to hit or kick an attacker to stop him. Surprisingly, the groin is not a good target, because it is the smallest possible target of pain on the body. He told us that it is better to try to kick the shins, knees, or the outsides of the thighs because they are larger target areas that you are more likely to hit effectively. If you kick to the groin and miss, he warned us, "You're just going to make him mad." He also showed us that a swift chopping motion to the sides of the neck is effective, likening the effect to bending a hose in order to stop the water, and then letting it go again. The chop pinches off the flow of blood to the brain, and then sends a backed-up spurt of blood to the brain before returning to its normal flow. This is enough to make an attacker woozy, and he could

even pass out.

The group then demonstrated front kicks for us, and let us try for ourselves as well. They advised us to give a sharp yell while kicking because it increases confidence in what we are doing and the breath out increases the power of the kick. It also lets an attacker know that he has picked the wrong person to victimize. They also taught us one form of small joint manipulation for forcing an attacker to release his grip on you if he grabs you by the arm. They pointed out various pressure points that, if you can gouge a thumb or a couple of fingers into, will stop an attacker long enough to allow you to get away. Lastly, they showed us how powerful the kicks they had demonstrated can be: they broke wooden boards, each about an inch thick and each about the strength of a rib.

They also offered the following safety tips:

*Put a whistle on your key chain. It's inexpensive, and as a method of calling for help, it is both louder and harder to ignore than a yell, and it also takes less breath than yelling.

*If you are attacked, remember that pain does not necessarily

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Trojan Women captivates audience

by Amanda Zagloba

The Trojan Women by Euripides was performed at the Porter Auditorium February 10 through February 12. It was directed by one of Wesleyan's own sisters, Robyn Alyson Harris.

Harris is currently a senior. She has been active in the theatre program in her four years here at Wesleyan. Recently she has acted in *On the Verge* and *And Miss Reardon Drinks a Little*, as well as directing *Laughing Wild* last year.

The play is an anti-war drama about the after-effects of the Trojan War on the women of Troy. The women must come to terms with being forced into Greek captivity and the destruction of the city and their lives. The focus of

The Trojan Women is their anger over the meaningless suffering present after the war.

Even with the tragic contents of the play, Harris manages to bring some light to the production during the trial of Helen of Troy by her husband, Menelaus. Sexual suggestions and confrontations between Helen and her prosecutor, Hecuba, had the crowd laughing through their tears.

Euripides' examination of these women's reaction to such an important social issue was well brought to life on the Wesleyan stage. The disturbing images of lives shattered, slavery, and the murder of a child left the audience in tears. In the words of one audience member: "Powerful."

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News

Pirate Penny Raises Money For Charity

by Joanne Sales

Every year during the week of Homecoming, the Pirate class holds their annual Pirate Penny Fundraiser. All of the proceeds

classes, the Pirates were able to give \$218.14 to the Rainbow Center.

The amount the fundraiser has raised this year is consider-



photo given by Joanne Sales
Mr. Falbro of the Macon Rainbow Center with Joanne Sales and Shannon Kunday as the turn over the check after Pirate Penny.

from this event go to the Pirate Class Charity. The class charity of the 2001 Pirates is the Children's AIDS Foundation. This year they decided to do something local with the money and presented the money to the Rainbow Center of Macon. The week of the event proved to be an eventful one.

At the end of the week and right before the 5:45 deadline, a large red crayon was carried by several Green Knight's which secured their Pirate Penny victory! Because of all of the pennies that were given this year by all of the

ably more money than the Pirates have been able to raise in the past. The check was presented to the Rainbow Center of Macon on Friday, January 28, 2000. The Pirates who went to the center to present the check were the Pirate Class President, Joanne Sales, and Shannon Kunday.

The Rainbow Center is in the beginning of a major renovation of their facilities. The money that was given to them from this event will help with the costs of the renovations.

SRC's Annual Ski Trip was a 'Blast'

By Lindy Minore

During this past Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the Student Recreation Council (SRC) took its annual ski trip. This trip took students to Maggie Valley, North Carolina, where they stayed at the Cataluchi Ski Resort. Last year, unfortunately, the skiing trip was cancelled due to a lack of snow. However, there was plenty of snow this year, artificial or not!

Almost everyone had a great time; however, there were a few people who sustained minor injuries. Both Elaina Winter and Erin McGavin said that they had a "blast" and fully intended on going next year. Both of these ski trip adventurers recommend the experience to everyone. When asked what the purpose of the trip was, Ms. Winter said, "it's just a great way for everyone to get together and have a lot of fun."

STUNT 2000 Begins

By Lindy Minore

STUNT is March 2-4, but signs of it can be seen around campus already. STUNT Reading was February 13, 2000, and all of the classes were very excited to hear what their STUNT Committees had come up with. All four classes met in Olive Swann Porter Auditorium and later they

split up. Each went to a different location: Taylor Amphitheater, the Oval Hall, the studio theater, and the Auditorium. The fourteenth was the backdrop hanging. The following weeks will be filled with all-night paint sessions, rehearsals, and, of course, spirit! Spirit can be seen around campus year-round, but during STUNT it runs rampant!

CJA Holds A Defense Workshop

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mean injury, and that even if an attacker hurts you, it does not mean that you should not fight back if you can.

*Remember that in order to attack you, the person needs their hands - which means that you have yours. (If an attacker grabbed you by both your hands, there wouldn't be much more than that he could do to you!) Look for opportunities to use your hands and legs to your advantage.

*Keep in mind that if you are attacked, you will probably be hit. Don't let that stop you from protecting yourself. Don't just give up.

*Of course, try to avoid potentially dangerous situations, but if you know that you are going to be, for example, walking through a dark parking lot by yourself, walk with your keys positioned

in your hand so that one point outward from between your fingers. If you can hit someone that way, you can hurt him.

*Finally, keep an air of confidence about you. Attackers pick victims that they believe will be weak. If you make noise, fight back, and respond with confidence instead of fear, an attacker will be less sure of himself, and more likely to decide that he picked the wrong person to victimize.

If you are interested in learning more about self-defense, you have plenty of options. You can take either aerobic kick-boxing or traditional tae kwon do at Taekwon do Plus, or you can register for HPE 212, Beginning Taekwon Do Karate for one hour of credit next fall. Also, the Mathews Fitness Center offers Kickboxing lessons on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 PM.

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What is in your future?

PISCES (2/19 to 3/20) You gain a more realistic perspective on future plans. Increase your expectations and realize you are the master of your own destiny. Probabilities in love turn into possibilities.

ARIES (3/21 to 4/19) This is a motivating and exciting period for you. Don't be afraid to plow forward and get swept up in ideas, plans, and people. Recover from setbacks quickly and confidently.

TAURUS (4/20 to 5/20) Lots of changes are occurring in your life. Now is the time to re-examine your job and ambitions. Your decisions should fit the person you have become, not the one you were.

GEMINI (5/21 to 6/20) You are opening your mind and changing your outlook. Allow these changes to occur and go with them. There are new career possibilities opening to you.

CANCER (6/21 to 7/22) There is an excessive amount of anxiety in your life right now. Confront your flaws and peculiarities. You need to follow, rather than deny, your basic instincts.

LEO (7/23 to 8/22) Your iron-willed rigidity is buckling. Realize change does not have to be bad. Take a good look at personal relationships as they are maturing and changing. They may no longer fit you.

VIRGO (8/23 to 9/22) Clear out the clutter in your life this month. Get rid of those people and things that drain your energy. Relationships take a serious turn. Evaluate them before going too far.

LIBRA (9/23 to 10/22) All the positive energy this month leads to a creative explosion affecting your whole life. Look at your satisfaction with life and be ready to take a life changing action or decision.

SCORPIO (10/23 to 11/21) Your nerves are shattered this month, leaving you alert. Family or love problems uproot your security patterns. Rest assured that a seemingly negative event will turn out good.

SAGITTARIUS (11/22 to 12/21) Business things take a positive turn. You are ready to battle any ailment that comes along. A professional change closes one door but opens another, bigger and better than the first.

CAPRICORN (12/22 to 1/19) Finances are unsure this month. Romantic developments leave you breathless and cause a stir in your romantic aspirations.

AQUARIUS (1/20 to 2/18) A major life cycle is ending this month. Take action for yourself, do not worry about others. It's a good idea to start looking into improving your life.

First Annual Poetry Corner

Picture a dimly lit room. You and a few of your friends are seated around a table, staring anxiously at a bare stage. A tall, handsome brother approaches the microphone. The spotlight illuminates his features. He licks his lips seductively; those dark eyes seem to stare into you. He speaks and the world stops. You gasp for air. Your heartbeat quickens. You are feeling everything about him - his dredded locks, confident stance, baritone voice. He is speaking directly to you, and when he is done, this fine brother smiles a smile that could literally melt a heart. His bright teeth are like a beacon of hope, calling after you. He winks and calmly leaves the stage. You release the air you have been holding in your lungs. Who is this brother? What planet did he just drop down from?

Well, rest assured ladies that you will meet this mystery man and many other talented expressionists throughout this state. Black Student Alliance is hosting their First Annual Poetry Corner here on campus in the rec. room starting at 8:00pm. Whether you are into poetry, expressive reading, storytelling, personal messages, words of wisdom - whatever your aching heart desires - this Poetry Corner will have it. BSA is inviting several other college students to participate in this monumental occasion. The cost is absolutely free, and the public is invited - meaning your parents can come watch you speak. If you are interested in participating in this year's Poetry Corner, please see either chairperson Danielle Brinson or co-chairperson Starr Pryor for further details concerning criteria and limitations. We look forward to your interest!

Wesleyan's Black Student Alliance: Leaving its Mark On Campus

by Ayesha Crossman

A very active group on campus, the Black Students Alliance, better known as the BSA, has dedicated itself to the task of creating a greater awareness of the diversity that exists within Wesleyan's student population. Whether it is by hosting frequent social events or by providing an outlet for the creative expression of students, the BSA has had a significant impact on Wesleyan's campus life.

"Our goal is to promote an understanding of Wesleyan's diversity and to provide also a positive atmosphere for the acceptance of this diversity," stated Charity Kirk, chaplain of BSA. The BSA came into existence at Wesleyan in 1975, when there were five African American students on campus. "It was established with the primary aim of providing support for students of minority groups who were being discriminated against in the society," commented Kendra Rhoulhac, the vice-president of the group. "We wanted them to know that at Wesleyan they would be treated as equally as everyone else," she added. The very existence of the BSA is a reflection of Wesleyan's goal of providing an educational system that recognizes the equality of all students.

In addition, BSA is also very involved in community service. Last semester, they helped Habitat for Humanity build houses for the less fortunate. Moreover, the group tries to maintain a positive

relationship with the various clubs on campus. For example, they have established the tradition that on every fourth Sunday, all the members of the Baptist Student Union and the BSA attend church service together.

"The Black Students Alliance has many goals for the future," stated Kendra, "we want to be able to be more active in the community and to form stronger ties with the other BSA on other campuses." Dr. Meeks, the advisor for BSA, also expressed similar hopes, but she was quick to emphasize the political role that BSA plays on campus. "The members of BSA have a significant role in the political structure of the college, in terms of voicing the opinions of all students, especially those of minority groups." As if to echo its strong leadership capabilities, BSA has invited Jack Ellis to host a convocation in the coming weeks. According to Kendra, there are numerous other events on the group's future agenda; among them will be a Poetry Corner, which will allow all students to express themselves through poems and creative speech. There will also be a Step Show, which is an event that celebrates African movement.

"Our theme is unity," stated Kendra Rhoulhac, "and our goal is to teach people in the society to be humanized. 'It doesn't matter how we look on the outside,' she added, 'we are all human beings with wants and needs. That's the mark that BSA wants to leave both on campus and in the society as a whole.'"

Delphi's Corner: Where Advice is Free

Dear Delphi,
What does the scientific name of the moon jelly, the Aurelia Aurita, mean?

Randomness
Dear Randomness,
Cheese.

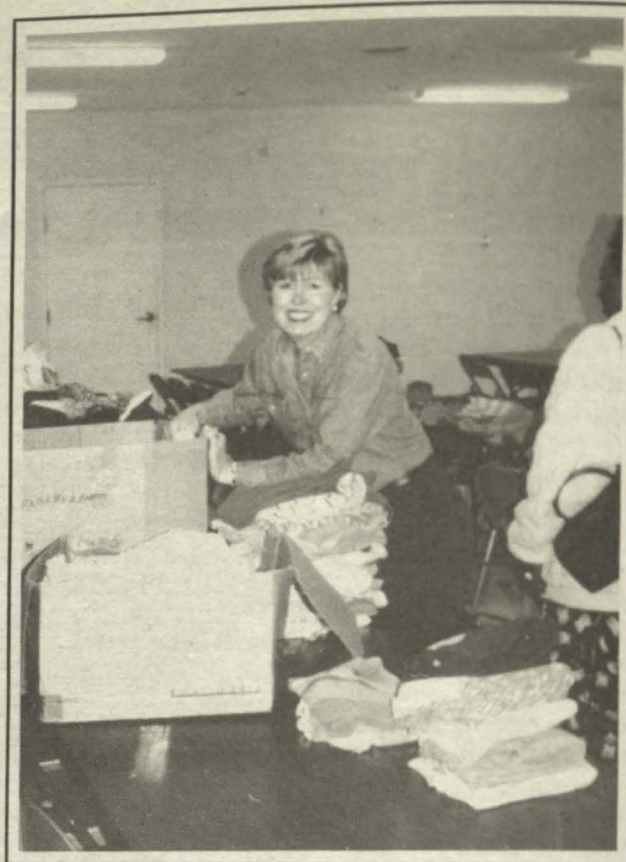
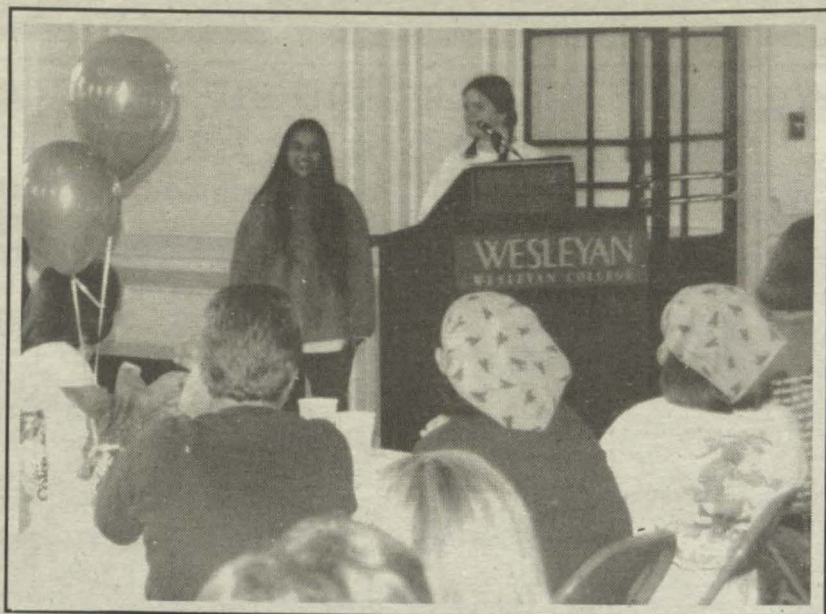
Delphi
Dear Delphi,
What can you do if you've overheard your roommate gossiping about you and your friends? Talk about her behind her back? Ignore it? Kill her? Not Feeling the Love

Dear Not Feeling the Love,
Please don't do anything rash! (That includes both murder and hateful gossip.) Do talk to her. Communication is the foundation for all relationships. Tell her - in even, reasonable, and civil tones - that you

overheard her talking about you, and you are not happy about. If your feelings have been hurt, tell her. If you feel a trust has been betrayed, tell her. Hopefully your roommate will realize that she was not being polite or respecting boundaries and will apologize.

Delphi
Dear Delphi,
I've recently decided to save my money (at least some of it). Do you think a piggy bank or a savings account would be better? Inexperienced

Dear Inexperienced,
You attend this college and still have money leftover? I recommend just depositing your money into the Wesleyan Business and Financial Aid offices: they're going to take it from you soon enough.

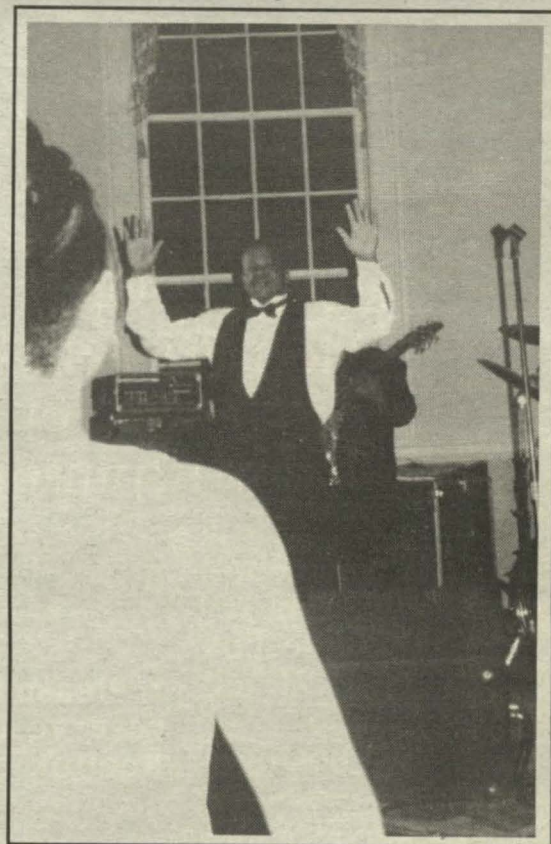


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"Words of Inspiration" Bounce Back!

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Making Time For Exercise Is Easy

Aerobic activity is defined as prolonged continuous movement of large muscle groups. Translated, that means do something that keeps you moving. Ideally, do it for 20 minutes straight. If you don't have that much time, two 10-minute aerobic activity sessions will benefit you almost as much.

The good thing about aerobic activity is that it includes many of the sports you probably already enjoy. Walking, biking, hiking, dancing, swimming, even basketball are all examples of aerobic exercise.

Another good thing is that you can easily accomplish those two 10-minute sessions with things like taking the stairs instead of the elevator, walking around the neighborhood after work or parking your car farther away.

You could even turn shopping into an aerobic activity. Shopping is walking, so don't stop for 10 minutes straight and you've worked in one of your daily sessions! Check with your local mall for mall walker programs, and you'll have company.

Aerobic exercise is definitely good for cardiovascular health and fitness. And here's something else you'll like: Aerobic activity can help you lose weight.

Is one time better than another to exercise? It's really up to you. You can exercise in the morning, afternoon or evening. Lunch breaks offer an excellent opportunity to get out of the office and exercise. Use your coffee break to take a short walk around the office. Get rid of the day's stress by fitting in an exercise session.

Whatever time you choose, make sure you stick with it. For some people, it's easier to stay with an exercise program when you do it with a friend or co-worker.

Make time to stay healthy: Exercise is one of the best things you can do for yourself. If you're basically healthy, get going right now. If you're 40+ or have any health problems, consult your physician first.



Fitness Tip for February

Walking stairs is a great way to burn calories, decrease your risk of disease and build cardiovascular strength and endurance. When climbing stairs, either on a stair-climbing machine or in a building, try not to lean forward. Staying upright with good posture is easier on your back and will force your legs to lift the weight of your entire body, providing more resistance and a better (greater intensity) workout.

A Healthy Recipe

Recipe

Pineapple Sweet Potatoes

Serves: 2

Ingredients:

8 oz. canned sweet potatoes, mashed

6 tbsp. egg substitute

1 cup brown sugar

2 tbsp. corn flake crumbs

8 oz. crushed pineapple in juice

Directions:

Lightly spray toaster oven baking dish with

nonfat cooking spray

Combine mashed sweet potatoes, egg substitute,

Sugar and pineapple in baking dish and mix until

Blended.

Sprinkle top with corn flake crumbs and bake in

350 degree toaster oven 40-45 minutes, until

heated through.

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Miscellaneous

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A Conversation With Death

Death came walking by
I stopped him
I wanted to talk to him
I wanted to ask him "Why?"

"Death," I said.
"Why do you lurk in shadows
stealing away men's souls?"

He answered, "That is my cause,
Though I am not so shallow as
you believe
Many times I take those who beg
reprieve?"

"Death," I asked, "Why then do
you spare me?
My Father is already gone,
And my world is so painful in his
absence.
I thought of coming to you on my
own."

Death answered me saying,
"Child, do you not know?
That is why I am here.
Your father begged me come
And calm your fear."

I asked, "Why you who most men
fear?
How can the object of fear
assuage the same?"

Death answered, "Your father has
made his peace with me,
And so you must also. You are
not to come to me but I to you.
Fear not for your father's
suffering is passed."

I inquired, "Why should I suffer
longer without him?
Why should I not be spared this
fate?"

Death answered, "That power is
gone from him now.
He ceded that license when he
chose the path I tendered.
He chose my path so you could
capture freedom.
Freedom from grief is yours only
if you accept his gift."

Illusions of Innocence

A young girl stands alone
Rejected
In the middle of her own front
yard.

Mother told her it was okay to say
"NO!"

Why then did she lose her love?

A young woman now - married
Disappointed
In the home she shares with her

mate.

She gave in to the ultimate taboo
"Where are my fireworks?"
"Why didn't the mountains
move?"
My innocent illusions shattered.

Handprints on the Window

Handprints on the window,
I see -
Through the condensation of fog
They leave -
A little window -
Out of which I peer,
To see nature.

Are these handprints life?
I believe they are!
They show me things -
I've never seen before!
Whenever I feel shut in,
I always remember when -
Through these handprints I
Was allowed to escape.

The Breaking of A Child's Heart

Somewhere off in the distance
A sound is heard.
Shattering Glass
One thousand tiny shards.

Over the din of our bitterness,
Do we hear it?
Through the veil of our
jealousies,
Do we see it?
Why then,
Do we not stop it?

We do not recognize the sound
so easily.
For it is a faint and constant
sound.
Dwindling day by day
Extinguishing hour by hour.

Grown-ups have no time for such
things
In our busy world of money and
power.
Our busy courtrooms of divorce
Our busy days and hours.

Is the pain so foreign to us?
Can we not remember it?

Are we so cold
Our hearts have grown numb?
Are we so bitter
We do not taste our own bile?
Are we so angry
We feel no hurt but our own?

Can you hear it?
Do you know the sound?
The tiny explosion that is
The breaking of a child's heart.

Myths about Email Forwards Revealed

Whether you love, hate, or delete them, email forwards have elbowed their way into the Internet world and appear to be here to stay. Anyone who's had email for any length of time knows that well-meaning friends and relatives can fill an inbox with forwarded jokes and warnings and can keep it full. Here are a few examples:

"It happened to my friend's boyfriend's sister's dog's former owner... It could happen to you!" These urban legends generally claim that an epidemic of kidney snatchers, or gang initiates is sweeping the world, and warn recipients to be on the watch by sending the message to everyone they know. They appeal to people's sense of fear and caring. The problem is that these forwards are usually utterly fabricated. They are fictions concocted by pranksters, and if we read the same thing in the National Enquirer, we would scoff.

*Don't open any email with the subject "SUCKER!" Virus warnings claim that an email virus is circulating that will turn your hard drive into scrap metal, which is enough to send chills up the spines of most computer users. They use a lot of technical language, claiming that the virus will, "set off a chain reaction of binary transducer conversions and rewrite the modular code". This is pure fantasy. All that technical-sounding gibberish is there to gain your trust. Forwards that warn against opening email are hoaxes. You can't get a virus by opening an email. You can, however, get one from opening an attachment. Unless you know and trust the originator of the message, you should never open an attachment on a forward. Ever.

"Pass it on or else!" Chain letters have not changed much, except to become easier to send. They offer promises of romantic delight for those who follow instructions and years of rejection for those who don't. Email has made chain letters as easy to pass on as clicking "forward," "address book," and choosing the names of one's favorite friends/victims. Perhaps, a better way to achieve romantic success would be to get out and meet people, instead of annoying the people you already know?

"Be an activist!" Some forwards inform you of the rights you are going to lose if you don't take action right away by sending the forward to as many people as you

can to increase awareness. As always, I urge you to consider the source. For example, if you are an AOL user, and receive an email saying that AOL is going to begin charging a fee for the use of its Buddy List feature, don't put too much stock in it unless AOL sends you the message. If your well-meaning brother sends it to you, well, gently reprimand him.

"It really works!:" These are the ones that say, "Send this to X number of people, no more and no less. You will see the Taco Bell dog run across your screen! It is so cool, and it really works!" I don't know anyone who has ever seen one of these work. That doesn't mean that none has ever worked and never will, but just keep in mind that if you really want to see the Taco Bell dog run across a screen, you can probably still find him on TV.

"This probably won't work, but what the heck." These forwards claim that a company is offering free stuff for sending the message onward. Usually, the directions are accompanied by testimonials of people who just received free clothes, a car, etc. Supposedly, a sophisticated tracking system embedded in the email will trace everyone who participates, and will reward each accordingly. However, it is not currently possible to embed a tracking system in an email message. Besides most of these are so silly, they're insulting. Try a little internet-detective work before sending and you'll almost always find a claim that doesn't square with easily available facts.

"Have a heart." These requests usually involve appeasing a dying child. An amusing example: I read one forward that detailed the heart-rending tale of a little girl whose last wish was for as many people to know about her as possible. The writer of the message ended by saying something along the lines of, "And if you don't forward this to everyone you know, you must be some kind of expletiving expletive. What kind of expletive can't have some expletiving compassion for a dying child?" Hmmm.....just what I needed to make me feel compassionate and sympathetic.

Forwards are a lot like gossip: they spread exponentially, and the story gets wilder as it gets passed on. Remember: if it says, "You won't believe this," then you probably shouldn't, and if it says, "Don't delete this," then you probably should.

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STUNT 2000 Edition

by Tiffany Moore

Rehearsals, all night paint Sessions, going to class after you've had a 30 minute nap, singing STUNT songs you just can't get out of your head, and special memories you share with your fellow classmates. These are just a few of the experiences mentioned by students who have participated in STUNT. This year each of the four classes had excellent STUNTS.

The raw beginners, the Golden Hearts, started out their STUNT career strong with their Stunt which was titled, "A Journey Through the Vents?" aka "Saved By the Wand?"

The GH showed strong talent and their uniqueness with their STUNT, which included everything from a Miami Vice wannabe to the flower power gang. They had an amazing backdrop that made good use of perspective and looked amazingly life-like. The Golden Heart effort seems best summed up by Asha Smith, "STUNT was an experience that brought us closer together. We were at rehearsals together, tired, and highly aware that we would be awake for the next three hours after rehearsals doing homework. We also learned to appreciate the efforts of the other classes because we knew first hand the time and dedication it takes to

pull off a successful STUNT!"

The winning Purple Knights impressed judges and their fellow classes with their STUNT, "Brand New Beginnings aka Fairyland: If You Lived Here You'd Be Home". They had an original plot line and some truly hysterical lines and characters in their scripts and songs (who could ever forget "Phil a bitter CPA" or Oliver). The PKs brought the magic of Fairyland (and second chances) to life in the eyes of their audience. They and their class came together, and their efforts paid off with the cup. However, STUNT is more than just the cup. Indeed, Jennifer Calhoun says it best, "STUNT makes me realize that I cannot imagine myself anywhere but Wesleyan."

The Pirates with their Proud winning Spirit (Cup) wowed the audience with their STUNT production, "Cafe-ine". The Pirates had excellent choreography and a talented cast. However, the most important aspect of their STUNT according to their President Joanne Sales is, "STUNT is about sisterhood. This year the Pirates in my opinion, exemplified what sisterhood is about and were able to pull together and work as a team."

The Green Knights worked hard, and it

showed with their STUNT. The formerly music and choreographically-challenged class managed to pull together to create something fantastic. As their STUNT said they "stayed and played together." Patience Clark exemplifies the GK feelings about STUNT, "I thought overall every class gave it their best. I was very proud of my little sisters."

Another part of the STUNT festivities was the production of the Faculty and Staff Follies, written by Dr. Oost. This talented group made the audience laugh until they felt tears as they plotted to spend the money they knew their illustrious leader would win on "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire." The plans ranged from new buildings with jacuzzis, to

a giant Rat Maze, to a bubble that encased Wesleyan.

This year the presenters were Dr. Fletcher Anderson for Spirit Cup and Michael McKinney for the talking STUNT Cup. These two talented men almost stole the show with their wit and ability to draw out the suspense before announcing the winners of the cups.



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Can't We Just Be Friends?

Faith and tolerance are two attitudes that are often hard to combine. Often other people have beliefs that contradict our own, and a natural tendency is to say, "Oh, I can't believe that they actually believe that. It's so stupid," or something along those lines. Why is it that the things we can't understand or find strange are treated with such a negative attitude.

Sometimes it seems to me that the ones who don't question or try to understand other people's beliefs are the ones being 'stupid' (for lack of a better word). Whether it's belief in God (or Allah, Buddha, or the Goddess Aphrodite) or a belief in something more mundane like politics, why can't we get beyond our prejudice to explore other people's views. Just because you may be a Democrat or a Republican (not that I'm saying you have to be either) why does that mean that it's okay to dismiss other people's view of society or political beliefs as having no value. Too often we don't take the time to think and instead we just react.

This reacting instead of thinking hurts us in so many ways. How many times have someone said something and we just assume that they are saying something negative. Tolerance and understanding seem to be sorely lacking.

Indeed, I see this happening on our campus. How many times do we dismiss other people's way of living by saying it's wrong without even questioning our own beliefs. We often segregate ourselves, unintentionally or

not. How many people attended cultural events sponsored by other groups? I can't say I know of many people who go to events sponsored by BSA or CRC. No one seems eager to learn about other cultures, beliefs, or religions. When's the last time, anyone who wasn't a member of a cultural or religious organization felt comfortable enough to attend a meeting by one of those groups?

We have images in our heads on what people will be like based on superficial things like race, religion, or sexuality. Why do we allow things like this to matter. The important thing should be what the person is like instead of things that they feel they can't control. Whether your prejudice against someone is religious-based (which shouldn't matter since most religions preach tolerance-which admittedly isn't often practiced) or based on your racial or cultural background (which are ideas and experiences taught to us, but often not the ones we've chosen for ourselves), that doesn't mean that you shouldn't stop and question your own beliefs. How many of us are so perfect that we can judge others?

That doesn't mean the temptation to judge will ever go away, but most of us know what discrimination and prejudice feel like. It doesn't make anyone feel very good about themselves, and what right do you or I have to inflict that pain on others. I know that I hate it when it happens to me. Is it too much to ask for us all to just listen....really listen to each other?

Attendance Policies Contradict Personal Responsibilities of Students at Wesleyan

College is all about learning personal responsibility. If at the age of 18 you haven't learned how to do things for yourself, there is something seriously wrong with you. At college you are forced to do things for yourself because your parents are no longer available to remind you of your responsibilities. Going to classes, meetings, and completing homework on time are the main tasks required of college students.

Attendance policies defeat the purpose of learning personal responsibility. If you don't want to go to class, don't go. It's your money going to waste and your fault if you fail. However, if you can miss a couple of classes and still make good grades, more power to you! A few reasons to endorse not having an attendance policy:

1. It is outrageous and ridiculous if you have com-

pleted all of your work and made good grades, and your grade drops only because you missed one too many classes! In other words, if your average is not dropping due to poor workmanship, it shouldn't be dropping at all.

2. Emergencies arise all too frequently, and many professors' policies do not take into consideration excused absences. (And for some reason, these emergencies always seem to occur after you have used the maximum number of absences allowed.)

3. Students who are absent because they are representing Wesleyan College (athletics, competitions, conferences, etc.) should be responsible for making up their work, but their absence should not count against them.

4. An argument against my cause could be that in

the real world, you have to go to work-you can't be absent whenever you feel like it. However, I would get paid to work, I don't get paid to come to school. I pay them. The professors get paid out of my money. If I feel it's necessary to miss class, then it probably is.

Keep in mind, I am not endorsing skipping classes. The purpose of attending college is to gain an education. However, everyone has days where they can't make it to class, for one reason or another. Whether it is sickness, a family emergency, exhaustion, a school function, or some other reason, my grade should not drop for absences ALONE. If my performance is suffering because of it however, I fully understand. The key is personal responsibility and learning to make wise decisions.

By Lindy Minor

Executive STUNT Chair Sends Campus Thanks

Why I Care...

I do not for one second regret settling for the cheesiest STUNT theme ever.. Though it bears the infamous and trite signpost of the millenium bug, "whY 2 Kare" symbolizes the real meaning of STUNT for me. Because of STUNT my first year, I caught sisterhood like a virus, and, now as a senior who has served as executive STUNT chair, I am convinced the condition is chronic. The infectious nature of STUNT is seeing a group of people achieve the improbable successfully as individuals committed to a relationship that gives their activities purpose and meaning.

Every facet of STUNT is contingent upon a com-

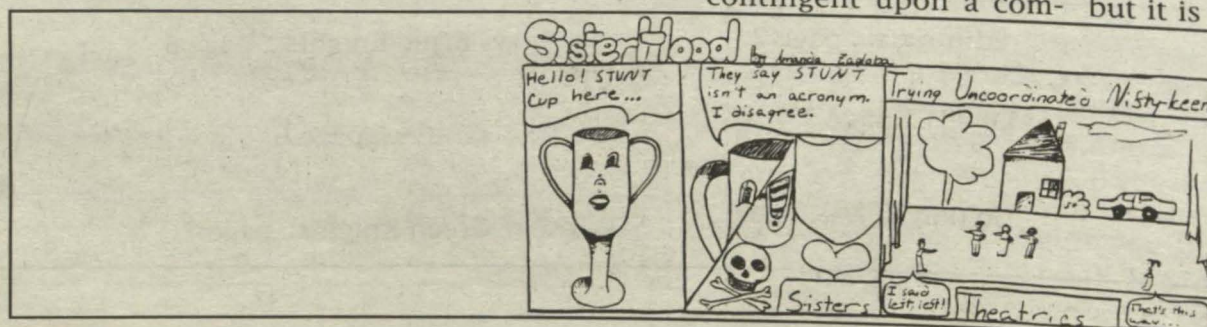
mitment to being sisters of integrity and character. Whether it is committees meeting deadlines or cast members attending paint sessions, STUNT reflects who we are as individuals and as a campus. As I watched STUNT on Saturday night, I realized who we are more poignantly than ever before: we are the kind of women who can sing and dance to the scripts we write. Whatever we do-whether we are displaying our talents and abilities by performing or facilitating others' achievement of their potential by leading-- we do to the best of our ability because the success of our community depends on it.

STUNT is entertaining, but it is not meant to en-

ertain. STUNT garners ticket sales, but it is not meant to sell tickets. STUNT is won, but it is not about winning. STUNT is what we do because we are sisters who, together can do something extraordinary with ordinary days in the middle of spring semester.

So, thank you. Thank you for celebrating sisterhood. Thank you for making our biggest STUNT the sisterhood of relationships that comes from all night paint sessions and long days of tedious planning. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to the tradition of sisterhood. Thank you for proving why I care.

by Melissa Graham



Wesleyan Suffers from Lack of Love

Lately around campus I have been seeing a distinct lack of love. I am not sure if it is simply due to the stress of STUNT and if it will disappear now that all of the rushing about to get everything together is done with and the PK's and Pirates have their cups. (Congrats on the cups ladies!) I have to mention that this editorial was originally just going to be a reply to the Bile comments in the last paper, but upon closer consideration I realized that there was something deeper than just PDA problems and a need to be more frank. (Who is Frank anyway?) It seems to me that love has stopped bounding around campus like it usually does. So I have decided that it is about time the whole campus has had a massive dose of "Amanda's Philosophies of Life." That's

right, the cartoonist has life philosophies. It is absolutely astounding, isn't it? Actually, most of my philosophies are based on all the quotes I collect. It does not mean that I do not believe them less or I am not insightful, just that I prefer to express what I believe through others. Hold onto your seats and open your minds. (I know this is hard for some of you, but humour me).

Philosophy #1: "You cannot push anyone up the ladder unless he is willing to climb himself."

* Andrew Carnegie

This means that no matter how hard you try, a person cannot change unless they absolutely, positively want to. It does not matter how many anti-gay religious teachings you throw at your lesbian/gay/bi friend or how often those friends drag you to GLBAL meetings. None

of it means anything if you or your friend believes it. This brings me to my next philosophy.

Philosophy #2: "Everybody thinks of changing humanity and nobody thinks of changing himself."

This means, of course, that the problems might not be with other people but with you. The best example of this I can think of is the Ku Klux Klan. They are out to change humanity, making the world what they think is best. Does this mean it is the best? No. But they do not think of changing themselves, they only see others as the problem with the world. This does not mean that your view of homosexuality as wrong and a sin should be changed or that your gay friend should enter one of those camps that "de-gay" people. It means that

maybe you should just acknowledge that there are different views and maybe yours is not right. Wouldn't the world be that much better if the Ku Klux Klan did that? Just sat down and thought about what they were doing? Say "Gee, maybe what we believe isn't that great?" Looked around at the world and realized that all those other beliefs are relevant even if they do not agree with theirs? (For all of you thinking this is a bunch of hogwash, all I have to do is point out how they spelled clan. Does that help you to maybe think I have a point?)

Philosophy #3: "Be to others as you would have them be to you."

I know everyone knows what the first most important commandment is, but do you know the second most important? Yep, that's right. "Love thy neighbour as thyself." How many of you would like someone picking on you or ignoring you because of who you are or trying to force you to do something you do not want to do? None of you would. (Well...maybe a few, but that sounds like a personal problem to me.) Picture that person who does not agree with you, for any reason at all. Maybe politically, maybe in lifestyle, maybe in religion. Now look at that little bracelet, necklace, key chain, whatever, that says WWJD. Do you really know? I just have one question for you: Have you hugged someone today?

Those are my main philosophies. I have several smaller ones that usually fit in one or another of those three. "Be a living

expression of God's kindness," said Mother Theresa (#3). "As I have loved you, so you must love another" from John 15:12 (#3 again). "Patience is the ability to put up with people you'd like to put down." (That fits somewhere between #1 and #3....) Some of you might be thinking, "Like I haven't heard this before...." (Insert eye-roll here.) I am fairly sure you have. I know I grew up with it, and it took me a lot of hard times, some intense self-examining, and a revelation to finally decide that this is possibly the best way to believe. (Aside from universal love, but I do not think I will be reaching that in my lifetime. Try as I might, I just can not seem to love Kathie Lee or Regis....) Some of you are probably saying, "Well, I already believe that." For those people I say, "Believing is a fine thing, but placing those beliefs into executions is a test of strength." (Kahlil Gibran said that one.) After all, my mom does not agree or like homosexuality but that does not stop her from thinking one of my lesbian friends is "as cute as a button" or that she would love to have that friend come visit often. Nor does she let her skepticism of the Baptist religion keep her from thinking one of my Baptist friends would have a good influence on me.

So, to conclude this seemingly endless tirade, here is the whole she-bang wrapped up in a nice neat little bow: ALWAYS walk that mile in other people's shoes. It may not be pleasant, and it will most likely be painful, but growing is never easy.

by Amanda Zagloba

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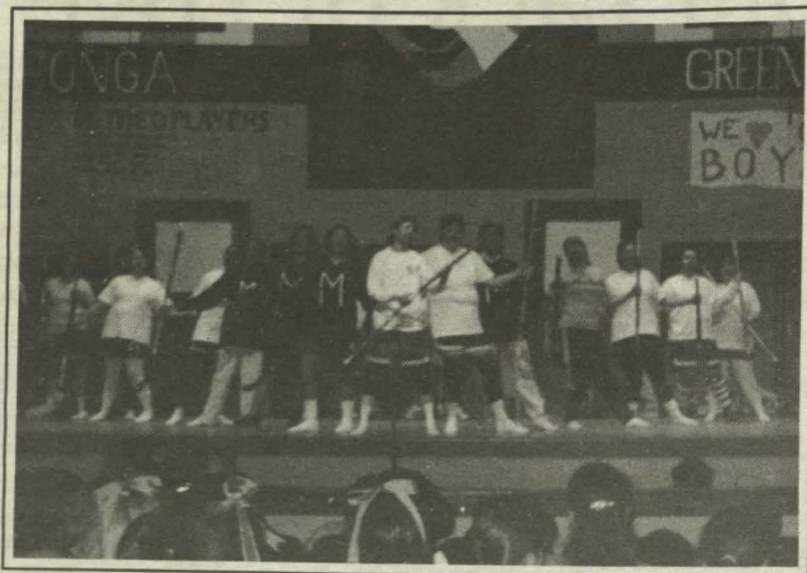
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Golden Hearts



Golden Heart STUNT Experience

All year, we've heard about paint sessions and Spirit cups and scripts and the countless other aspects of STUNT at Wesleyan. Now the Golden Hearts know what all the excitement is about! Our first-year STUNT experience was both exciting and challenging.

STUNT Reading got us pumped up. Many of us truly believed that we were going to be dressing as various food items and dancing around a refrigerator while singing about cheese, but when we heard our real script we liked it even better than our committee's fake one. Auditions were run, parts were assigned, and we were ready to go!

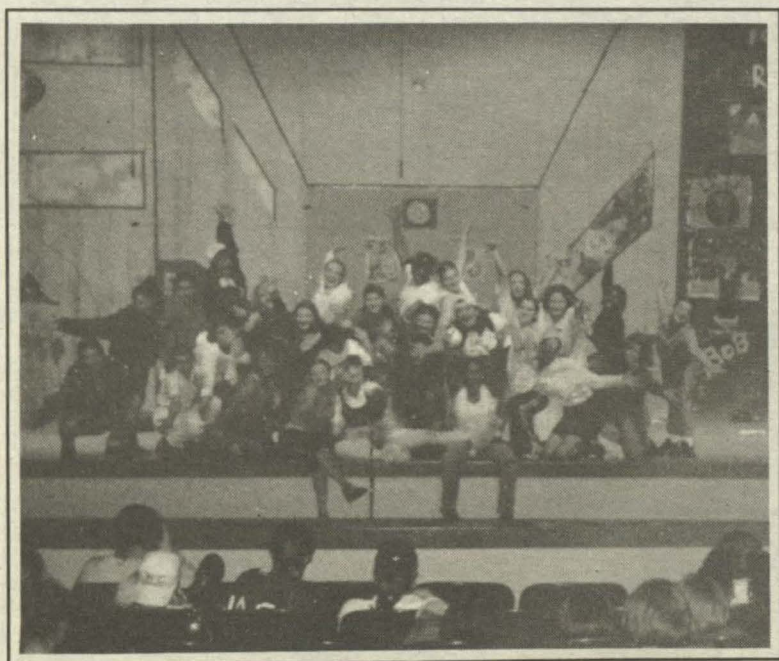
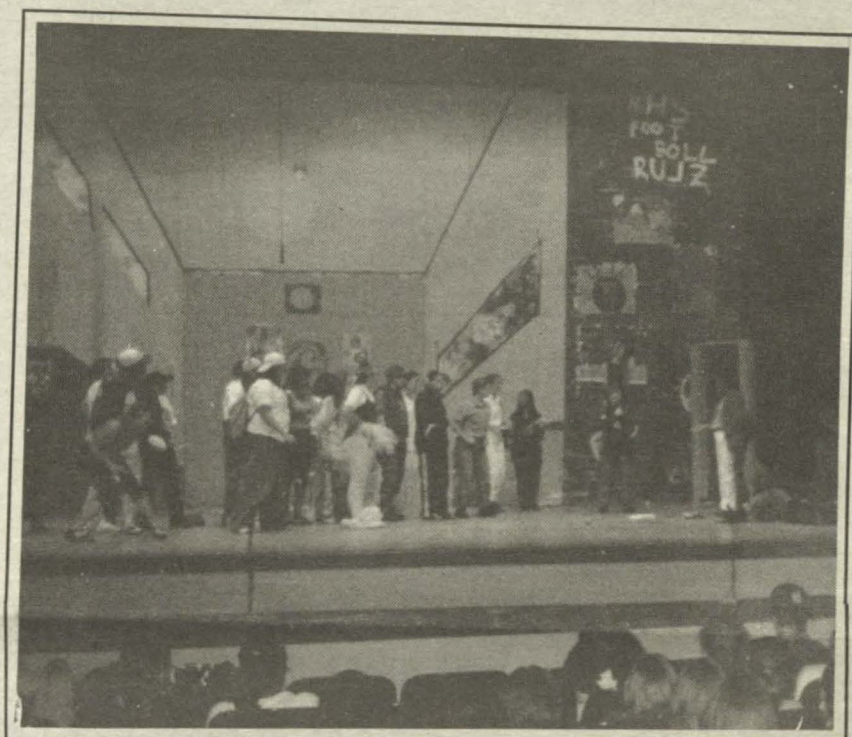
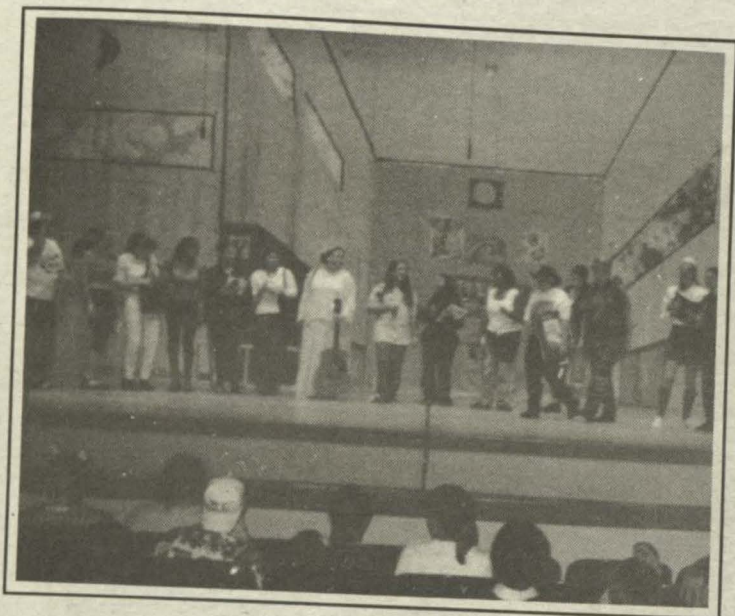
Rehearsals and paint sessions became frustrating and tedious at times, but our Wesleyan sisters have taught us well this year, and we knew how to keep our spirits high! Ponying, singing, and doing the hokey-pokey revived us half way through each night. We finished our backdrop and perfected our accents. When it came time to perform, we were ready.

Onstage, we did our best, and we were proud of what we had accomplished as a class. When we were through, we enjoyed sitting back and watching those Perfect PKs, Powerful Pirates, and Grand Green Knights perform. We learned a lot about the STUNT process this year, and next year is going to be even better!

-Virginia Dicken

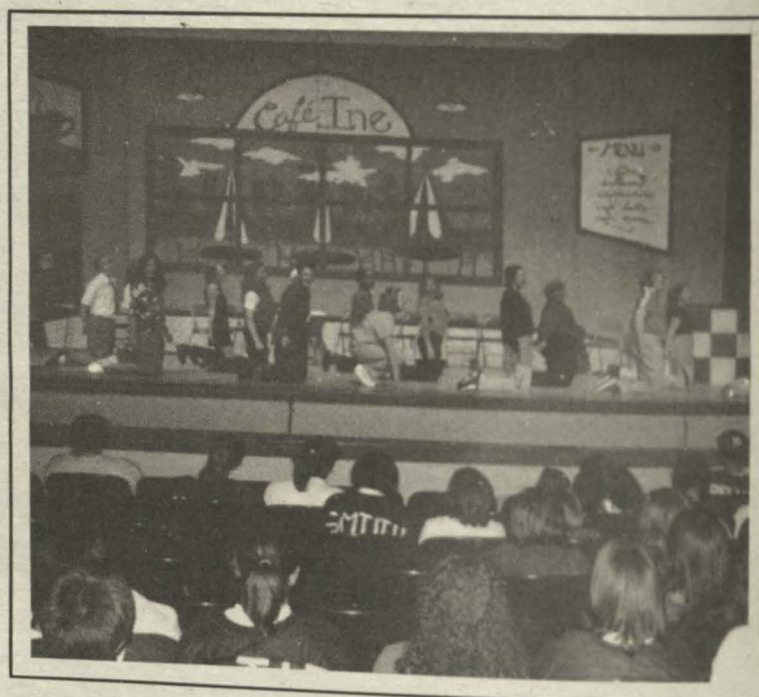
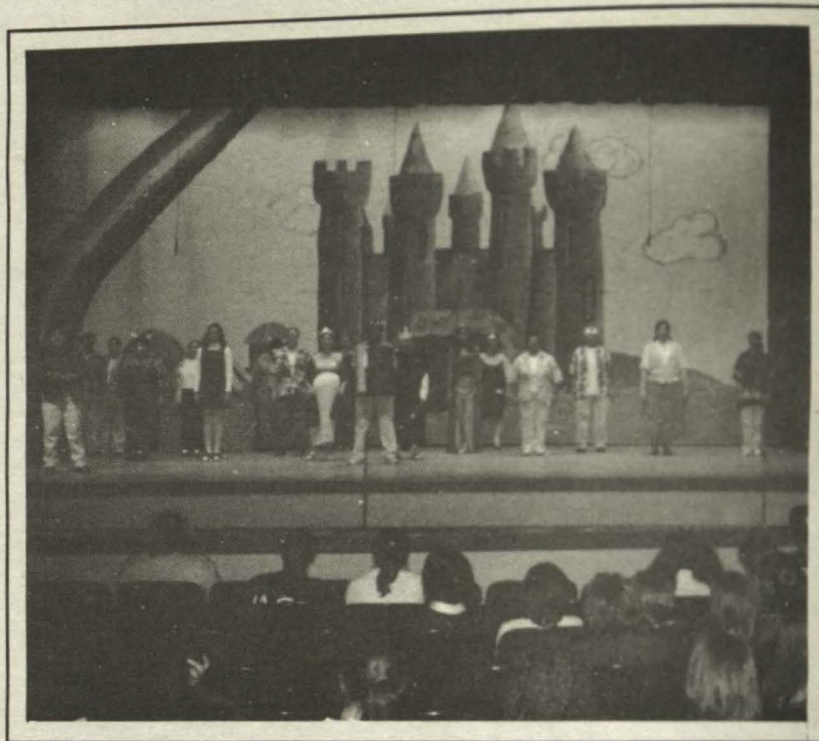
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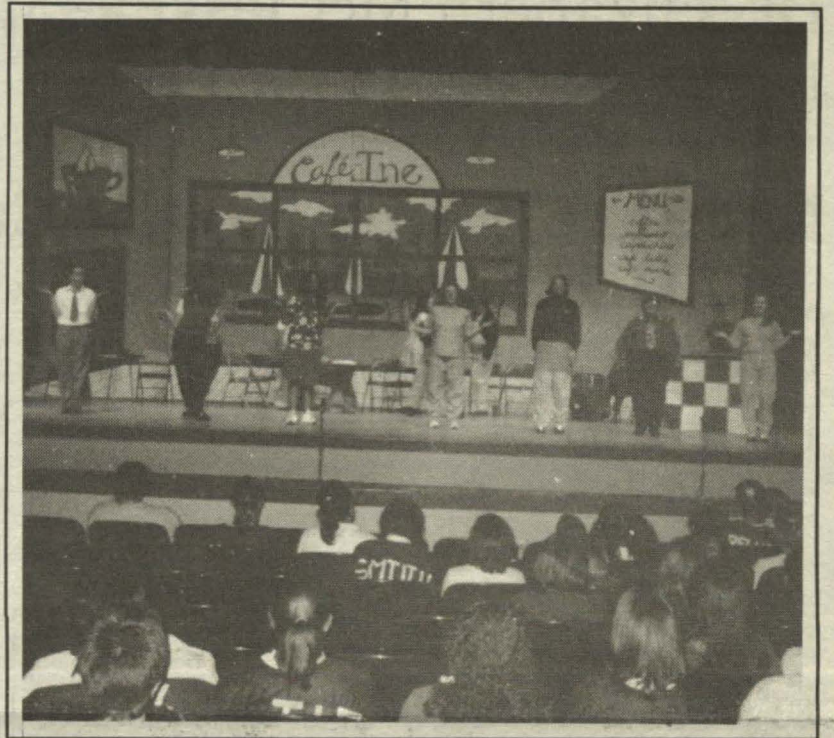
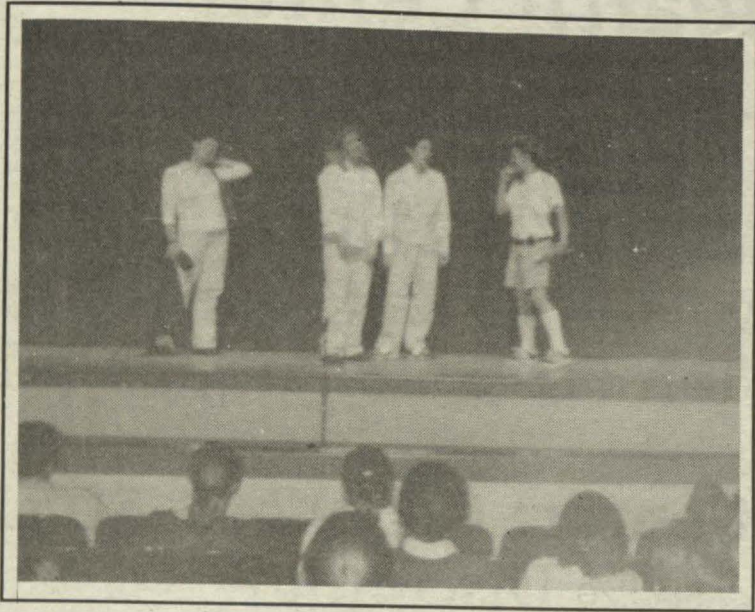
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A GK's Perspective

I spent a lot of time reflecting on STUNT in the wee hours of Saturday morning as I laid in a drunken stupor on a friend's floor (off campus of course). STUNT almost defies words. I've done this for four years, and each time it never fails to amaze me what you can accomplish in just a few weeks. This year my class pulled together; they weren't just going through the motions. The amount of dedication and determination that went into our STUNT rivals anything I've ever seen the GKs do.

I think the class would agree with me that we all feel we put our best foot forward (and backwards and generally shook it about). But personally, I feel the best part of STUNT was watching every person involved in all the flurry of activity emerge a better person for it. Everyone did a fabulous job, I also really loved the way Missy chose to end it this year. Oh, and I love my class for everything they've given me in the past four years. Thank you. And I wish the best of luck to the remaining classes for the rest of their time here. Each of the classes' talent and hard work was evident when they performed.

-Robyn Harris

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Wesleyan at Mercy of Ducks!

Ducks Take a Homicidal Turn

by Abigail Waite

Homicidal Ducks?

The ducks are out to get me. I know they are. Every time I walk by the ducks, they look at me with their little beady eyes, and I know what they are thinking. They're thinking, "There goes that Abigail girl again. She looks like she would make a very good meal. What is her room number? Does her roommate accept bribes???? We should follow her and see if she suspects..."

Yeah, every time I walk by... and it doesn't matter if I'm going to the gym, or if I happen to be just

walking by the lake, or going to class. The ducks ALL stop and look at me. Do you know what it's like to be stared at by a flock of ducks? Creepy, I tell you, creepy.

Now they've started stalking me. Laughing, in their little avian minds, when I try in vain to cross their lines to go to class. I swear, they do it deliberately!! They wait until I have two minutes to get to Taylor for Biology, and then they decide to do their little ducky walk across the sidewalk...in a line!! It's almost enough to drive one mad!

You all think they're sooo cute. "Look at the

duckies!" you all say. "Aren't they adorable??" Well, you won't think they're so delightful when they finally decide that enough is enough and take over the Wesleyan campus!! You won't think they're so darn precious when they make YOU swim in the lake while THEY get to sleep in your beds and take hot showers. And when they get to eat in the cafeteria...on second thought, never mind. Anyway, you won't think it's so great when WE have to eat muddy straw! "Today, Wesleyan. Tomorrow, the WORLD!!" is their battle cry.

Can't you hear it? Do

you think those little peeps and squawks that they make when we are around them are just nonsense? I don't think so, sisters. They're just talking about what they're going to do when they can finally get into the dorms. The ducks are going to try to take over, and there is nothing that we can do to stop them. I think they're in league with the geese, too. Yeah, and those things are MEAN...they bite, and not just in the figurative sense.

You all think I am kidding, but just wait. They've got their eyes on all you, too...

Duck Killed in Tragic Parking Lot Accident

by Duck Lover

On March 19, 2000, a duck was killed in an automobile accident by the Jones parking lot. While crossing the parking lot with one other duck, it was plowed over by student Brandy Heineman as she returned to campus after spring break.

In her report to the campus police, Heineman wrote the following: "I was just getting back to Wesleyan after a two hour drive through Atlanta in the rain. Just as I started toward my favorite park-

ing spot, a duck came running out in front of my car. Because I am usually a nice person, I slammed my brakes and allowed it to cross. I began to step on the gas when another duck came running out in front of my car. Because I am sometimes a mean person, I put the gas pedal to the floor and nailed that sucker."

Heineman was later heard to comment, "That's one less duck to poop all over the sidewalks."

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thing stinks!

Humor Column

COMIC'S CHOICE: A Frog's Life

by Merlynn Arthur



Exclusive! You Heard It Here First!

by Moon River

Wesleyan, due to the recent complaints, has decided to implement several programs that will benefit her students! Here are some of the tentative ideas in development:

1. The Wesleyan bookstore will lower its prices to where they will reach an almost reasonable amount! Also, when you

sell books back to them the bookstore will reimburse you to close to the price you paid for them.

2. Absence policies will become non-existent. 'Nuff said.

3. All buildings will be handicap accessible.

4. Gerard will not berate you for taking too many starches and the cafeteria staff will not ogle or flirt with you when you enter

the dining hall. Also, the glasses and silverware will be CLEAN!

5. Construction on academic buildings will not be conducted during classes. The administration now realizes that it is very hard to concentrate on your midterm when there is a constant whirring, screeching, and thumping noise in your ear.

6. The Willet Memorial Library will be open until midnight, or at least until eleven o'clock.

7. The fountain will be cleaned on a regular basis, forcing those with birthdays/engagements to not have a good excuse for not going in it.

8. A cigarette vending machine will be installed on campus.

9. Work will begin on

the student center and/or internet cafe. Some people tell me it already has, but that has to be a myth since I never see people working on it.

10. Financial Aid will award students a financial settlement for the psychological and emotional harm that they have caused students in the past!

The Pioneer's Short Story Submission: Part One of "The Arrival"

by Catharina Vanyel

The small barren room was solemn; only the soft whirring of the computers could be heard, interspersed with the periodic buzzing of the printer and fax machines. The only sign of life or color in the office reflected from the dull scales of a dying fish. Even the small movements of the young brunette woman at the main computer seemed lifeless and drab. Her entire attention was focused on the black letters highlighted by the glaring white screen. She seemed to just another part of the computer; no more or less than the mouse or the keyboard.

"Andie?" the soft questioning of her name shot into the room reverberating until it seemed like a cream. She turned around quickly inadvertently dropping her pencil on the floor.

"Oh!" Andie exclaimed softly and as she bent to pick up the pencil asked, "How can I help you, James?"

"My name is Jamie," began the tall dark haired, blue eyed man, but at her look of indifference he sighed. "Never mind! Your sister is on line two. She said that she tried to call your office, but you didn't pick up the phone. So...?"

"I turned the ringer off." "I see. Anyway, she called the main office, and thought I'd come and get you. So, here I am," he laughed and the grooves on the side of his mouth invited her to join in on the joke.

"I see," she said and turned around and picked up the phone.

"You could of at least said thanks." He muttered as he walked out of the room.

"Helen," she greeted her sister neutrally.

"Hi, sis! How are you doing?"

Andie began playing with her pencil, tapping it softly against her leg, before answering. "I am doing well. How have you been?"

"Well? You can't be any more descriptive than that? Come on, Cassandra, surely things can't be that bad."

"You know that I prefer to be called Andie. I don't appreciate you making fun of me." Andie said cutting each word off individually and gripping the pencil tighter.

"Sorry, Cassa—I mean Andie." Helen's voice dropped softly before picking up. "I just wanted to remind you that this weekend was your niece and namesakes 12th birthday. You are coming, right?"

"Well..."

"You promised!" Helen's voice faded away, but not before Andie heard her calling her niece to the phone.

"Aunty! Please come! I haven't seen you in months. Please!" There was something strange in her niece's voice. For a second, there seemed to be something familiar, but no. Andie was just letting Cassie's normal childish pleadings cause her imagination to run away with

her.

"If your mother had listened to the rest of my sentence," she lied smoothly. "She would have heard me tell her that I was going to be a little late. I have to finish a few last minute details on a project so I won't be able to come tomorrow afternoon as planned. I'll be at your house Friday afternoon."

"Oh! are you sure you can't come tomorrow? I really wish you could come sooner than Friday. I...I need to talk to you." Cassie's voice trembled.

"Is something wrong?" Andie asked anxiously.

"No, I just miss you. That's all."

"Well, I'll try to come a bit earlier. Maybe late Thursday night." Andie thought if she came late enough maybe she could avoid being having to confront everyone and use the excuse that she was sleepy.

"Great. I can't wait to see you. I'm so glad you changed your mind." Andie heard the clatter of the phone as Cassie repeated the happy news to her mother. "I'll give you back to mom."

"Wait! I can't really talk to her right now a client has just come in for his appointment. Tell her that I'll see her on Friday. Bye!" As she hung up the phone, Andie could hear Helen's indignation. She looked around the silent room and sighed.

Coming into the room from the hallway between their offices, Jamie heard her sigh and saw the look of sadness on

her face. He wondered why she always seemed so alone. He had noticed her from his first day at work. She was so different from everyone else. She wore only blue jeans and high necked t-shirts in dark solid colors. She never smiled or had a social moment, but there was just something about her. Her name Andie, a nickname he knew, seemed to say everything, yet nothing about her. He couldn't imagine anyone calling her Cassandra, but he wanted to, desperately.

"Yes!" she barked. "Do you need anything?"

"What?" confusion and bewilderment lingered in Jamie's voice. "I mean, would you have lunch with me?" He blurted out and was surprised at his own boldness.

"No! I mean I am sorry, but I'm taking a few days off and I'm trying to finish up all the last minute details." She said cursing her excuse knowing that it meant she would have nothing to fill her day with tomorrow but her own company. She was so caught up in her own thoughts that she didn't notice the emotion in his face and voice when he wished her a good time on his vacation.

I can't believe I blew everything, he kicked himself silently. I knew it was too soon to ask her. She won't even call me Jamie. I have to be patient. I have to.

As she turned on the familiar road and the

house came into view, she felt overwhelmed by memories. Every time Andie came to visit her sister, she was struck by the fact the house never seemed to change from the days when she and Helen were children living with their parents. The only difference was that her room had changed. Instead of a stark room with a computer and books littering the floor, the room had become a nursery, then a toddler's room, then a grade school child's room covered with drawings and cartoons, and finally on her last visit it had been a preteens room covered with movie and rock stars.

As Andie removed her bag from the trunk of her car, she couldn't help feeling like she had forgotten something. She had been stalked by this sensation every since she had woken up that morning and began to prepare for the trip. She had a vague recollection of what it was: a diary or journal. That was strange though. She didn't remember keeping one when she was a child, but she felt a need to see the book and read its message.

Andie was startled out of her thoughts by the sound of her small blond niece rushing out of the door to greet her.

"Whoa," she said as Cassie knocked into her and hugged her almost as if she was a lifeline. "How are you doing?"

"Wonderful! I am so glad that you are here. I was

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Wesleyan Donates New BMWs

by Ayesha Crossman

It appears that Wesleyan College is awarding all students who have a cumulative GPA of less than 2.13 a sparkling new BMW of their color of choice. However, this decision was met by a number of conflicting views. Those who have strove to meet the necessary academic requirements are pleased at last that their efforts are finally appreciated by the college. "It's been quite shameful that Wesleyan has persistently ignored our consistent efforts to excel in our courses," stated a Golden Heart, Julia Roberts and proud holder of a 1.9 GPA. However, those students on the honor society are outraged at the decision. Now they too will have to work extra hard this se-

mester to achieve the stipulated GPA criteria. "It will be so much work, I don't know how I will possibly get that GPA. Their expectations of us are so high, it's impossible to live up to them," commented a PK, Leonardina DiCaprio. Despite the controversy, the brand new BMWs will start rolling their way through Wesleyan's gates early this April. The president is thrilled at the new and brilliantly creative idea. "It will serve as an incentive to all students to strive for success. Also, it will show them that it's the little things (referring to the low GPAs) that count the most," she stated.

Various colleges have called in to verify this new policy and to see whether it can be applied in their institutions as well. Quite notably, one of

these colleges is our beloved, Agnes Scott. It is said that they are desperately seeking a way to motivate their students to continue their studies at the said college, and hence decrease their frequent wave transfers to Wesleyan. Many of these ex-Scotties cite Wesleyan's innovative ideas and policies and persistent school spirit as the main reason for their transfer. "Where else can you go and get a BMW with a 1.19 GPA?" stated Kevina Coster, an ex-Scottie. So, prepare yourselves all for the soft purr of those new engines and the sparkle of the brilliantly flashy colors of the new BMWs as they make their way around our quiet campus this April.

Wesleyan's Popular Millenium Classe

by Aerhiana Vanyel

The most sought after classes this semester are Physics 344 and Art 675.

Physics 344 aka Design and Model your own Nuclear Bomb was the most sought after class. Students fought to sign up for early registration because of the limited number of seats available in the class (5). A comment from Melly Ham, a student who got into the class, "Radical! I've always wanted to make a bomb." Several disappointed students have threatened to sue because they say that there is a conspiracy going on that kept them from being able to register for the class.

The second most popular class Art 675 aka Design Forgeries of Famous Works also became a

battle as several students got into a brawl because they wanted to get into the class. Deary Lee we when she was told that the class was full. She said "It's always been my dream to be an art forger. This class is only offered every other year. I am graduating next year so I won't be able to get in the class ever. My dreams are destroyed!"

Professors reactions to students actions have been ones of bewilderment. Dr. Russ, one of the faculty members on the curriculum committee, said "We never dreamed the new classes would be so popular. Maybe next year we will have more open spots for students."

Giant Bunny Loses Ears

Giant Bunny Loses Its Ears

On March 25, 2000 the Annual Rush Wesleyan College with People took place. Amongst the millions of insect like people came a giant Pink Bunny. When asked what brought this over sized mammal to the campus it simply said, "I was looking for a good time the way normal people do, I just want to be normal!"

In the course of the crowd the enormous rabbit lost its ears. Three hundred pounds of mass weight came crashing to the ground at the speed of 89 miles an hour. For those who don't know, 89 mph is just under the acceptable speed to drive on rural roads.

The result of the bunny flop was the death of twelve tourist who came to see big balls of non inflatable material rise in the sky in a last ditch effort to entertain the crowds. Thirty-seven other tourist



where inadvertently injured as they tried to rescue the twelve from suffocating under mass heaps of pink fur. Many came crawling back out gasping

for breath. On of the many civilians who attempted to help simply said, "It was unbearably hot under there and that fur was

downright dirty."

Another civilian just said, "uh... uh.. I think something hit some people over there." Other

than this minor tragedy this annual event was well. Many spectators have agreed they will come back next year. "Well of course I'm coming back to the next Rush Wesleyan College with People. I enjoy running those students bonked and stealing their parking spaces. What else would I do on a bright sunny day in March," said Billy Bob Conners.

Overall, not holding the twelve deaths against the event, everyone went home happy. Next year's event will be held at the same great location around the same great time and with the same great non-flammable material rising into the air. Be there or be happy.

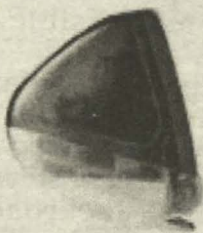
Mysterious Benefactor Bequeaths \$1, 000, 000 to Give Seniors New Computers

Merlynn Arthur

A surprise bequest was announced at the annual board of trustees meeting in February. This bequest of one million dollars was given to the college with the stipulation that the money should be used to buy the graduating seniors new computers since their computers are so out of date compared to the current level of computing technology available.

This mysterious benefactor, however, instead of having this bequest announced to everyone instead decided to test the innovation of students by having them fill out forms describing their ideal computer set up and

The Senior's Two Top Computer Choices



The Blueberry iMac



The Blueberry iBook

how they would change from the current computers to something more up to date. The responses to this survey were varied. One students requested everything from Power Macintoshes to laptops.

However, one innovative student, Tansy

Morte, had a very extraordinary idea for her ideal computer setup. She took the words ideal literally. Her setup included every thing from the computer, printer, scanner, digital camera, rewritable cd drive to the kind of desk she wanted. Morte even

went so far as to describe the kind of paper and dis-kettes she wanted to have.

The requests of all the students were granted even down to the dis-kettes. When the com-puter give out was an-nounced the seniors were shocked and amazed by the generosity of the mys-terious alum. Ristie Mac, a psychology major, com-mented, "I am so excited that I am going to have a computer that actually works. I can't wait until my new Power Mac comes in." While everyone was pleased to get new com-puters, some were dis-gruntled by the extrava-gance of Morte's setup and that it was unfair that they didn't have all the same

gadgets. These com-plaints reached the com-puter benefactor and her comment related by a member of the board of trustees was that "If all the students had been as in-novated and creative with their requests, they too would have gotten as ex-tensive an upgrade."

The new computer supplies should arrive within the next three weeks. The seniors are sponsoring a party in cel-ebration of the generosity of this benefactor who has provided them with such a valuable gift. They are inviting anyone interested to come and see their new equipment.

Thieves Attack Wesleyan College During Cherry Blossom Festival

By Crysalin Rafael

The Cherry Blossom Festi-val has always been a source of pride to Wesleyan College not only because of its beautiful cherry blossom trees, but also for its place as one of the location on the Cherry Blossom agenda. Wesleyan has held its annual Bal-loon Glow for decades now and there has never been a problem until this year.

During the Balloon Glow this year, two Wesleyan students de-cided to take pity on a couple who asked to use a nearby bathroom since they were close to the North and South Apart-ments and didn't feel they would make it down to the lake where the portable potties where. However, the couple had hidden malicious intentions, and too hideous advanatage of the generosity to steal from the Corn Hall Apart-ment.

Jala Arnold, one of the students who let the couple in said, "They seemed like such a nice hamless old couple. I still cannot believe that they

stole from us and our friends." The other two girls who let the couple in agreed with this assess-ment and stated that they were still in shock from the actions of the theiving couple.

The couple, Mr and Mrs. Irving, werer appre-hended two days after the robbery and are in the custody of the police and are in jail awaiting a tril. The police chief said that thanks to the descriptions given by the three stu-dents that it was easy to identify the perpetrators especially since they have been committing the same type of crimes all over the country for the past eight months. The sheriff com-mented "There M.O. is al-ways the same. They are too terribly bright criminals. They had to have known that sooner rather than later we would catch up with them."

The Wesleyan Students say that they have learned their lesson and have de-cided that appearances really are deceiving. Lyra Ellis commented, "We

won't every trust innocent looking strangers again. Suspicion is something that will always mark my actions towards others. I cannot believe that I was so naive and stupid."

The college agrees that their actions were not smart and have decided to institute a fine to cover the damages that has ocured on Wesleyan property. The students and their parents are planning to contest this plan and said that everyone makes mis-takes, and they cannot understand why the col-lege is being so "ugly" about the whole business. The college has also de-cided that this incident shows that the Balloon Glow is not a positive expereince for Wesleyan and have decided to cancel the show for the forth-coming years. The Presi-dent said, "I know that the Balloon Glow has been be-loved by all our students, and I am sorry that three students had to ruin it for the rest of the Wesleyan Community.

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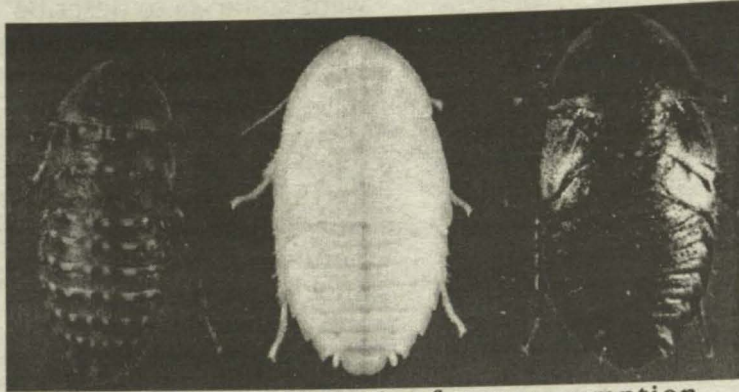
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Local Burger King to Adds Wesleyan Cuisine

By Ayesha Crossman

Apparently, Burger King is donating a dozen cases of our favorite specimens—the cockroaches, as a part of the International Awareness Program. The Language Department created the program some months ago. It was established in recognition of those foreign language majors on campus who felt themselves left out by the majority of biology majors.

Meanwhile, Mister



Three Different Varieties for consumption.

Clinton is ecstatic about the idea. He was quick to identify himself as being quite open to a variety of foreign cuisines—which we have had the good fortune to enjoy since our arrival on campus last semester.

"The students will be so excited when they find out that we fully intend to begin our preparation of these rare delicacies as soon as possible," he stated.

It appears that Anderson Dining Hall will make history when it serves up the first dish of steaming, tender cockroaches. Hence, again it will be making a name for itself—aside from the popular one that it already has with the student popula-

tion. "Yep, I guess we will be going down in the history books for this one," commented one of the ever so pleasant cooks, Monica Lewinsky.

When asked about its kind donation, Burger King refused to comment, however, they did indicate that they were currently engaged in a college-wide experiment of human response to unusual and unwholesome food groups.

Wesleyan Recognizes Benefit of Animals and Allows Students to Have Pets on Campus

by Elspeth Tylandel

For the past three years, a faculty committee has been set up to find ways to reduce the stress levels on students. Their final report recommends animal companionship as one of the top choices to lessen stress. This report was passed on to the board of trustees and was passed in an almost unanimous decision with one dissenter and three abstaining from voting.

After three years of debating the faculty members have concluded that

the most beneficial pet for the students to have are dogs. So during the initial trial run of the new pet program, dogs will be the only animals that the college allows. In another strange twist to the story, the trustees has also decided on the type of dog that they will allow students to keep. They have decided that the dog must be small and cute, and the trustees decided to make the decision by putting pieces of paper representing all of the cute small dogs in a hat and picking



A Rough Drawing of A Pomeranian by Cryslyn Rafael

one so that like the type of computers we have, the dogs can be standardized. The type of dog decided upon was the Pomeranian.

The Pomeranian is a toy dog that runs from approximately 3 pounds to around 10 pounds. The Pomeranian breed has

very full coats and vaguely resemble foxes.

The first reaction by students was one of excitement, but when informed of the conditions this joy dimmed. Some people wanted cats and others wanted rats or pigs. One comment by Leah Lou summed up the thoughts of these students, "But I don't even like dogs! Who made up these stupid rules?" Some students decided to protest these restrictions and are having a meeting in the Rec Room on April 1st at 2pm.

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afraid you wouldn't come.' Cassie murmured into her clothes.

'I couldn't miss your party now could I?' Andie tried to say playfully and reached out to muss her niece's short curly hair.

'Of course not!' the child said trying rather unsuccessfully to capture the cheerful tone, but it didn't match the expression in her brown eyes. 'We'll have so much fun while you're here! You are going to stay in my room with me, aren't you?'

'Yes, Cass...I mean Andie. You don't mind staying with Cassie, do you? The spare room is already occupied, and you'll never guess by who!' Helen's friendly chubby face beamed as she pushed her lanky light brown hair out of her eyes.

'Who is it?' Andie asked cautiously. She hoped that it wasn't another attempt by Helen to set her up with one of Bertie's friends. She hated having to maneuvering her way around men especial the good 'ole' boy type.

'It's Uncle Paul. Remember, Dad's war buddy?'

'Oh!' Andie murmured and closed her eyes as the world seemed to spin. 'I don't think I remember him.'

'How could you forget him. Remember he lived with us for a short time. It was right before we got married, wasn't it, Bertie?' She gestured towards her rather ruddy blond haired husband trying to jog his memory.

'Seems like it. That about the time, Paul?' he said gesturing towards tall steel haired man who

stood in the doorway with military precision.

'Yes, it was. A pity that I couldn't come to your wedding. Little Miss Cassandra, how you've grown. Indeed, how you've grown. You remember your Uncle Paul, don't you?' He said in a hypnotic tone.

Andie felt his voice reverberate throughout her body and echo continuously until she felt like she would be crushed under the weight of his words. Helen, seeing the Andie's face, rushed over to support her as she started to sway.

'Andie, what's wrong? Are you feeling sick?' Helen anxiously patted her hand.

'I....' Andie whispered softly. 'need to lay down.' 'Of course, that long trip must be catching up to

you. Cassie, will you grab your aunt's bag and bring it to your room.' Helen ordered as she began to pull Andie up the sidewalk into the house.

'Let me help you get Cassandra to her room,' offered Paul.

At the older man's offer, Bertie looked startled and commanded, 'Yes, Helen, Paul and I can get her to the room. Don't waste your strength. You might need it later.' He winked at her, and Helen looked at him angrily before she was distracted by a moan from Andie.

'Be careful, Uncle Paul. You must be holding her arm to roughly.' Helen looked at his hand on Andie's arm, and felt a chill as she noticed the contrast between his rough and hairy hand and Andie's delicate white

hand. She shook off the strange feeling with a sense of pain, a pain that wasn't hers. Must be getting fanciful in my old age, she thought to herself.

'Poor Cassandra. I am sorry. I would never want to hurt you. Such a precious child.' His voice reminded Andie of a hissing snake, and she pulled herself away from his arm.

'I'm fine. Stop fussing. I can walk by myself.' her voice shook as she tried act strong. She moved away from Paul so fast that she almost fell over, but she caught herself and ran upstairs to the room. Helen and Bertie looked at each other in bewilderment.

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Love Strikes Strangely at Wesleyan College

by Merlynn Arthur

Many strange events have happened at Wesleyan recently, but none so strange as the love bug that seems to be biting the campus. Several faculty and staff members at Wesleyan College have re-



Wyatt Earp

cently declared their undying devotion and intention to be with their newly

discovered amours.

A certain history professor started off this love infatuation with a public declaration of her affection for a man named Wyatt Earp. Research on the subject reveals that Wyatt Earp is an old cowboy legend who perished decades ago. This, however, does not dull his attraction for this professor. She declared, "I know my heart and I must follow it. I will dedicate my life and career to setting up a shrine in the Willet Memorial Library so that everyone can see Wyatt's glory."

One of the psychology professors has also joined this bandwagon. His speciality has been exploring memory through the use

of lab rats, but evidently he has taken his love of rats much further than anyone has anticipated. He has declared that he



Annabella

and Annabella (his top research lab rat) were destined to be together forever.

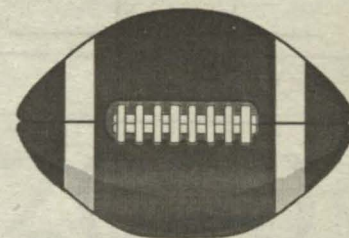
When questioned about how this relationship will

effect his life, this professor said, "Annabella and I are going to revolutionize the world of human and rat communication."

This bug has not just restricted itself to the faculty but has also bitten one of the staff members in the cafeteria. This Aramark man has always been known for his love of football. He has decided to give up his job and go and be with his true love whom he calls Windy, a winning football from a Florida/Georgia game. When questioned, this lovestruck football lover declared, "This is the best day of my life. I have finally found my true love. Hey, stop looking at Windy. (This accusation

was made when trying to get the brand of football.) She's mine. Go find your own football."

These three lovelorn



This is a representation.. No photos were allowed..

Wesleyan members have been stricken by a disease that no one can explain. Indeed according to all the research, love is inexplicable. All we can do is wish them luck and hope they regain their senses one day soon.

The Pioneer Poetry Corner

Random

A letter
A towel
A box of chocolates
A bowl
To Rhyme
Guess Which one
Life's pattern
echoes this poem
Random words
and Random Actions
J. J. Regret

Whiskers

My cat has them.
Do you?
Mayg Lick
Music
It invades me
It invokes me
It swallows me whole.
Life is Music.
Key Gnote

Peppermints

Peppermints
Sharp and shocking to
the tongue
The minty mountain
takes away the despair
of broken dolls and
dusty toy boxes
Five today masks false
lessons of storybooks
Almost out--
and memories remain.
A.B. Lily

Creativity

Where does it lie?
Not here says I.
Creativity find me now
so my audience I can
wow
I beg you creativity muse
Please don't be a big ruse
Desertion is not kind
And I am losing my mind
Help! Please help.
I feel like a kelp.
C.C. Annibal

Juicy

Mouth Watering
Delight overwhelms
Thick and strong
My teeth bite in.
Indecipherable feelings
Desire overwhelms
I look for more
Satisfaction is not possible
Juicy Fruit where are
you?
Phantom Lyfe

Mitchell

I loved him
He was my companion
Thought we'd die
Together
but he left me.
But that's okay
because I got a new dog.
So, there!
Batty McGee

Wesleyan's Card Catalogue Returns

by Ellena Vivaldi

Over the past two years the Willet Memorial Library has instituted a change in the way people can find books. The Library is now online, and the card catalogue was taken away forcefully with yellow caution tape to deny its use. However, this new system has not gone over well and the librarians have decided to give up its technology and go back to the Card Catalogue System.

The students and faculty were ecstatic when they heard the news. Lian Lewis, a math major, com-

mented "I am so happy. I will finally be able to do research the way Mrs. Donnelson, my fourth grade English teacher taught me. This new system was just too much for me. I just couldn't understand it." Several faculty membersechoed this opinion by saying the new system was just too advanced for them.

To celebrate this occasion, Student Affairs is having a Welcome Back Card Catalogue Party. It's going to be held on April 1st at 2:30 in the Taylor Amphitheater.

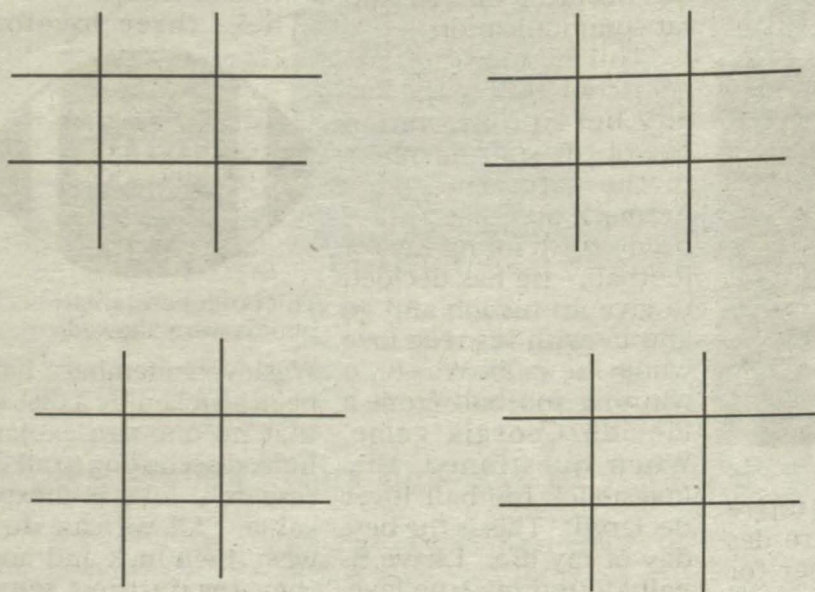
Delphi's Corner

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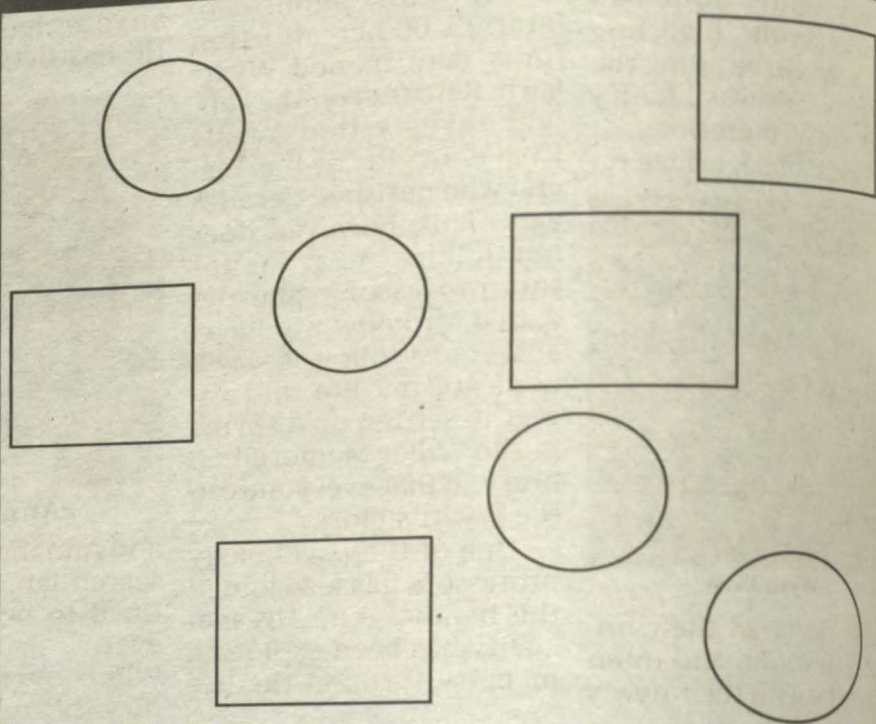
The Delphi is currently out of order due to the fact that the Goddess in charge has left indefinitely to vacation in Olympus with all

those lovely, incredibly buff and stunningly male Gods. Oh yeah....

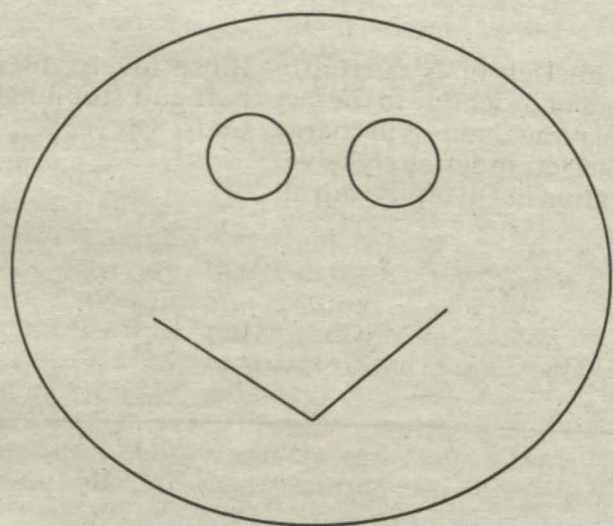
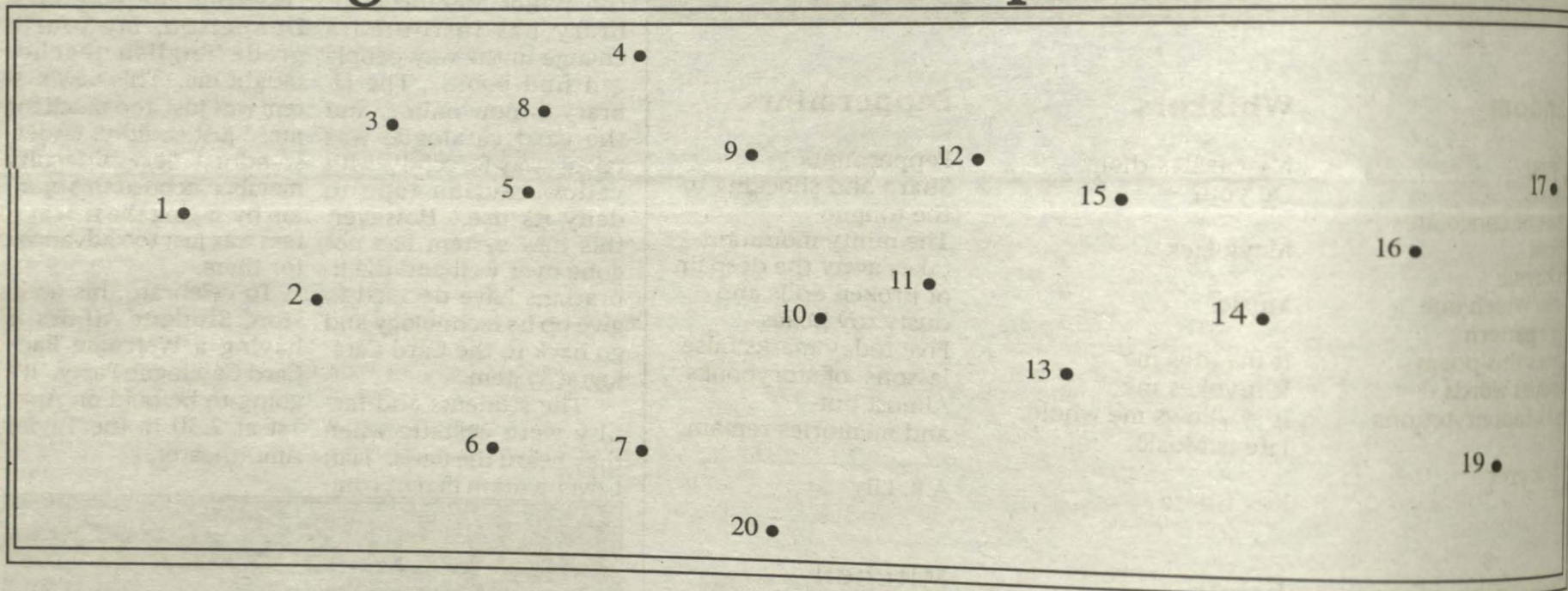
The Tic Tac Toe Game Sheet



The Wesleyanne's Coloring Corner



Connecting the Dots: A Surprise to Discover



APRIL FOOL'S DAY: Please do not be misled by the contents of this newspaper. All Stories are fictitious and are from the imagination of the demented staff. We hope that you have enjoyed the products of our insanity. We would enjoy hearing any questions and comments you may have. Thank you for reading our work.
-The Staff

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The Green Knights of 2000

I, Lindsey Abernathy would like to leave:

All those "easy ride" Thoroughbreds to Emily Helmick, all of my 1 million bummed cigarettes, tight jeans, big trucks and obscene mardi gras beads to Becka Smedley along with any cute leftover guys I'm leaving behind, all sexy Italian boys to Desirea Lenz, all e-mail stalking cases to Charise Jenkins, all late night study sessions at Barnes & Noble and Denny's to Miss Tonya Parker, all karaoke nights to April Prince with her faithful partners Poncho and Lefty, all internet lovers to Vivian Exum, all of my sex ed books, car problems and crazy jumpers to Dana Hooper, all sexy coffee men to Christina McGuire, all unwanted, \$90 auction dates to Heidi Walker, all the red Georgia clay in the world to Erin Dunker, all hip swings to Grace Hughs, all 8:00 a.m. classes to Melissa Varady, all rat chewed dead bodies to Matilda Smith, my faithful steed, the Hermanator to Taine Corvington and, finally, all theme night birthday parties to every member of the Equestrian team. I love guys!!!!

I Kelly P. Baete of overworked, sleep-deprived body, and stressed out

state of mind do bequeath the following to my sisters at Wesleyan:

Melissa Williams:

The famous "22 crown," since you'll be the first to wear it!

Emily Helmick:

The status of being

the only senior on the equestrian team,

The right to drive the van — it's all yours!

April Prince:

A "real" 21st Tropical Birthday party, A Mexican restaurant with a revolving sign, A shot of Tequila and "Poncho and Lefty," A spare tire

Heidi Walker:

"Short and Lousy" A \$90 birthday date, A cricket breeding farm, Vet school fairy dust

Erin Dunker:

Sid's, Red-X shampoo for Nina, More Vet school fairy dust

Vivian Exum:

A hot internet boyfriend who drives a BIG A__ TRUCK!

Desirea Lenz:

My Wesleyan I.D. (you won't need it for much longer!) And to my awesome little sisters...

from one of my trips, Your very own Green Knight! Some shoe polish remover for the "I LOVE DANA" across your windshield

To all of the "Horsy Girls"

Blood, sweat, and tears...whatever it takes to get you there, Lots of fun...those equestrian girls know how to party!

Theme parties and funny hats, Smoothies,

Sex talk...you know you'll miss it, Drag Queen shows, Those stinking tall boots, The Haunted Barn, Wonderful memories

To my lovely and charming APT. 302 roomies who have made my years at Wesleyan seem far too short...

Lindsay Abernathy (A.K.A. Stinky Butt, Candy



First Year Color Rush: GKs March In

Becka Smedley:

Full rights and privileges to my current reign as "Ghetto Booty," The black sparkle shirt, since you look sooo good in it, A GK little sister that's half as sweet as me, Luck with Smurfs

Dana Hooper:

Another coffee cup

Sweetheart): A crazy trip out west in Big Red, A rich engineer/doctor who knows how to ride, Sexy Coffee Man...or Dr. Roidt (take your pick), Your 21st birthday present The Blue Hunk, Some hormones for Victoria, Some Quietex for the Herminator

Jess Salter (A.K.A. Noassatall, Electra Ray): Some of my pills to cure your "affliction," A law school offer you can't refuse, The Bambulance! An inflatable electric guitar, Peter, NO MORE EARLY MORNINGS!

Amber Velasquez (A.K.A. Grump Butt, Moody Booty, Yo Quero Amber's Booty): One more tattoo for Charles, Lab Rats, Crayfish, and research (Yuck!), Sir Tom Hill, A rocking chair, Some expensive black boots, Persons 103 and all the years in between

To my GK sisters:

Fun in the Fountain (while wearing Mortar Boards), Men's boxer briefs, Livestock at Color Rush???

May 5th!!!

May 6th!!!

Prayers that we don't flash anyone while walking, Lots of love and wonderful memories. Love,

Kelly, (A.K.A. Ghetto Booty, Mary Jane)

and by the way...I AM SINGING!!!

I, Belinda Buck, being of sound mind and tired body leave the following people lots of love and good wishes. Ericka Stewart- I hope that you get a little sister that is as wonderful as you are and I also hope that you will find happiness in all that you do. I will treasure your friendship always. Thanks for wearing a dress for me. Laurie Gibson- To you I leave a wonderful little sister. I'm sorry we haven't been able to spend as much time together but know that I do love you. Christina- To you I leave a hug and a smile because you always made me smile and a hug to let you know how much I love you. Briar- To you I leave a PK kiss, who better to receive my first PK kiss than from you. Candice, Christy-Jo, and Jen C.- To you three I leave, the roof, nuff said. I love you gals. Hannah- To you I leave Dr. Iskra, have fun in Real Analysis. By the way, I still have that book if you want it. I sure don't. Vida- To you I leave two more years in the math department, I will keep you

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Last Will and Testaments

in my prayers. Grace- You make me smile and I hope that if math is what you want that you are able to get through all the many math classes and that you will have someone to go through them with. It would be miserable to be by yourself. Namita- My wife(ex-wife) to you I leave lots of hugs, many nights of sleep and plenty of food. Take care of yourself. To the rest of my sisters, I leave a piece of my heart which is where you will always be. I love you all!!!

I, **Esther Celestin**, being of sound heart and empty mind, leave to the following people the following things:

To Tracy Baker, if I could rub off on you to give you a permanent tan, I would, but I can't, so I didn't. I do leave to you my love for the game of soccer and sense of unity to keep the team together. No matter how frustrating it gets, don't give up and don't give in to anger.

To Elaina Winter, I leave my appreciation for all the massages you gave me to keep my pitching arm functioning for the season. I know soccer is the air you breathe, but let softball be the water you drink to fuel your athletic ambitions.

To Rachel, my adopted little sister, keep your head up, never doubt my love, do what's right and in the end, you will be rewarded by One greater than us.

To my little sister, Calessa Wells, I don't exactly know where I went wrong. I vowed I would cherish you and show you appreciation, instead I let everything else get in the way of one of the most potentially important relationships in my life. I hope even though I am no longer here, that we can keep in touch and still remain sisters.

To Coach Brunel, thank you for teaching me how to reach my inner talents. It took a lot for me to pitch every game this softball season, but you and the team gave me the courage to go on, thank you.

Even though she is leaving as well, I want to say

that no words can explain the love and appreciation I have for Alicia Ogletree. Lis, you kept me sane all four years I have been here. By having you as my very best friend, I truly learned what sisterhood is all about. Remember we promised to be in each other's weddings and to help raise each others kids. I am holding you up to that.

To my class, the Grand Green Knights, I remember when I first got here, I was one of the most spirited people in our class. I was a part of RAT Council, and tried to participate in everything the class did. I stumbled when I realized I meant less than a pet to some people in our class. I just could not meet their expectations, so I backed off, I stopped trying to make friends. I want you guys to know whether I want it to be or not, you are a part of my existence. I appreciate the experiences because they have made me a stronger person. Go in peace and conquer the world. God

Bless.

Esther Celestin

I, **Patience Clark**, being of sound mind and wannabe size eight body do leave the following Niesha and Elsa: You girls are the sweetest. I leave you lots of fun in Miami next year.

Jywanya: I leave you my no nonsense attitude. Never resist the opportunity to let some deserving person know your true feelings. I also leave you the feeling I felt this year on CAB, WONDERFUL! Have a great senior year. Catherine: I leave as many LIMITED style suits you can fit into your closet!

Laurie: Don't be a hater! Beth: What can I say? I leave you the wonderful world of sociology. I leave resistance. Don't let the bureaucracy take over your life! Always fight the system. I have enjoyed vibing with you about Louis Armstrong, & Les Nubians. We'll do tennis!!

Christina: I leave a little

sister who is as sweet as you were!

Audrey: Like two ships passing in the night, we just could not make this get together thing happen. But our brief encounters were filled with laughter and fun. You brought the lover of Micheal Jackson and Prince out of me. I leave you an enjoyable year, and a little sister who was not as busy as me. Calessa: I am so happy I adopted you. You have been more than a little sister, you have also been a friend. I leave you an enjoyable year on CAB, more buttery nipples, and bannanas for your boobs!!

i, **mary erin elizabeth davis**, being of long name, tired body, and scattered mind...do hereby leave to megan beene, crystal rogers, chrissy miner, silla sumerlin, and taylor johnson (the pk pack) the washboard band-keep it fun, ladies...to my wonderful little sister christina ethier, i leave the strength to stand up to a certain someone and refuse to join

the ranks of the education department and a little sister who is at least half as wonderful as me...?...to other little sister, herrman, i leave you someone to hug you every day and kiss away your hurts and frustrations. the best adopted little sister i could ever have been for, megan beene, i leave you a cute little pink piggy kisses on the nose, no mention my eternal love and adoration...you are my everything every time i'm around you...to crystal rogers, i leave you some measure of peace and all my love. lauren hill, i leave you the strength that you'll need to make it through and my appreciation for all the things you've helped me see...to stewey i leave you thanks, a dance, and hope that you'll find the right girl...and that she be a homo...?...to shantia mccall, i leave a pack of smokes and a light, you chrissy miner, i leave you hope that you'll have a wonderful little sister who'll give you a minimum of three hugs a day and my appreciation for



The Green Knights First STUNT: Theft and Destruction at the Toy Store

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ng me smile when i needed to be reminded low...to silla sumerlin, i leave the keys to my car so that you can come and get me...?...i love you, illy...to jennifer bagby, i leave one last stunt-may it be your best-tremendous amounts of respect and admiration, as well as the hope that you know how wonderful you are...to taylor johnson (i love you, taylor johnson!!!), i leave at least two liters of coke and a bigger bottle of brown...let me know next time you need someone to go in with you on that!! and last, but certainly not least, to melissa vanwie, i leave someone to rub your back for you, my "pardon our progress sign," all of my petty larceny tendencies, the patience to deal with fraz, three more stunts, a pack of reds, a standing date whenever i'm in town, my eternal friendship and love, and change to call me any time you need to talk...i'll miss our late night smoke breaks...to all of you, i leave wesleyan and her traditions-guard them with your hearts-and the memories that you will make here...enjoy the ride...me

Missy Graham, of arguably sane mind and tightly firm body, do solemnly bequeath the following items/entities upon the following individuals/groups:

to Jennifer Bagby—my lovely Rat—I leave my room with hopes that it will bring you all the peace, serenity, comfort, sunshine, and warmth that it has provided me; to Erica Hermann I leave centeredness, an ability to accept the ambiguous with clear and certain faith in circumstance, but in the enduring quality of character that an individual brings to any situation; to Shannon Kunder, I leave the desire and motivation to say "No" to anything that compromises the standard of excellence deviates from "the vision"; to Kris Mayrhofer, I leave all the pleasures of southern womanhood and



The Green Knight Class Parties Hard At Their First Homecoming

all the insightful intricacies of Literature; to Angela Weddington, I leave the joys of a completed honors thesis about an interesting topic with a chair who pushes you beyond your best.; to Lauren Hill, I leave a random love note that will stand for all eternity; to Julia Tolley, I leave scheduling ability and the faith that withstands questions; to Laura Willis, I leave an unshakable stability of heart and mind and body and will; to Washboard Band, I leave the passionate yearning for one performance where everyone is on-time, focused, on-pitch, smiling, and performing with some modicum of professionalism; to Abbie Smoak and Katie Taylor, I leave the ability practiced calmness and cool efficiency for every STUNT crisis and the paper trail to make all things possible; to future STUNT committees, I leave detail-awareness, a cooperative spirit, and the tendency to see the positive beyond the negative; to Bria Andrews and Andrea Clark—my little sisters—I leave a legacy of love and leadership, of community and

confidence (you ladies are my heart, and you make me proud!!).

I, Robyn Alyson Harris, do hereby, upon my leaving this place, bequeath the following to my friends and foes:

To My Little Sisters...

Jennifer — I leave you all the anime you could possibly desire, and I also leave to you the joy of having a little sister as fun and exuberant as you are. Good Luck in life. I know you will go far.

Katie — I leave you for only a brief time, since I will be returning to represent you in Hollywood and get 15 percent of the millions you will make in the biz. But what I really leave to you is the hope that you will realize what an amazing and special person you are. Taylor — I leave to you the hope that you will get a little sister as magnificently well matched as you and I were. I love you so very much. I also leave you my address so you might write me because i don't know what i would do without you.

To my other PKs:

Chrissy — I will miss you

so much. I leave to you a great big hug and lots of love. I also leave you access to my Buffy archives at anytime. :o)

Natalie — I hope you find someone who's not afraid to say what you're thinking. I adore you!

Lauren — Never forget what I said at dinner that night. I leave you strength and happiness, and when all else fails a gun loaded with salt pellets...it's not fatal, just really, really painful. And you can shoot cats with it.

Christy Jo — I leave you the job of Stage Manager and all the rights and privileges of that job. And you can have a salt-pellet gun, too. Megan — Don't feed after 2 a.m. :o)

Peavey — I leave you a world without 1-page papers. but since such a world could never exist, I leave you the role of most outspoken student in a theatre class. cherish it, I sure did.

Bria and Christina — I leave you a shopping trip full of random people coming up behind you to insult you, it was of course all in fun :o). And you were right, the pink didn't make me look

like Ass.

To The Bad Seeds — Why didn't I learn how great you were until it was almost too late to enjoy you. I leave you endless hours of fun.

To the practicum class — I leave you all behind me on the short bus, it's been a ride, but I can't say it isn't nice to get off. Go Team Slow!! :o)

Jessica Moore — I leave you a department in need of a senior to pretend to know everything.

PPB — Although we didn't see each other much this year, I leave you a COMPLETE term as class officer. I also leave you the hope that someone can make your day with a random e-mail (which I glued into my permanent diary.) If you ever want a GKPB give me a call. Everyone needs someone :o)

BRANDY, CHRISSY, and VAN WIE — I leave you the job of coming up with the perfect revenge for the STUNT night cup presentation humiliation. I am confident you will exact it well. Van Wie — I leave you red racing stripes and automatic weapons so you really can have an A-Team



van.
 To MS-G+ — I leave you the plans for the ultimate domination of the world be the Augmented G's (G+). I leave you the knowledge that the tattoo I gave you is the truest thing I've ever said. And I hope you find someone as fun to sit by in class as you are!
 Heather B. — I'm not going to stay here no matter how convincing you think you are. However, I leave you my address in Wilmington so you can come and visit me on the set where I'm sure I'll be the best assistant to the assistant manager of the Craft Services table they have ever seen. And you are welcome to drop in on me and Joshua any time you so choose. I love you. You're the best Allison ever.
 To My Mo — What can I say? The last thing I want to do is leave you, much less leave you something. I'm glad we can stand to be around each other, because you're one of the only people I would give my life for. You said that once and I feel the same way. So in leaving you I am leaving behind a little bit of me, and taking a little bit of you. I love you.
 Everyone else — It's late and I'm afraid I left out someone important. So here's a statement for anyone I left out and anyone who cares to read. May you achieve all you desire. May your heart be filled with

happiness and your life with love. Remember it's a short time we spend on this planet, spend it well.
 I, Melissa Lockert, being of weary mind and worn body, do hereby bequeath the following:
 To Sophia—my hidden stash of Vivarin, a good night's sleep, and an infinite supply of 'tweaks' because I know how much you love them; To Crystal Gail—an autographed copy of my Buns of Steel Workout video, my right side/left hand eternally (you needn't ever fight for it... it's yours!), and a

habitual state of irreverence (but only at pep rallies!!!); to Andrea, Ericka, Rachel, Julia, Erin, and Hannah (aka, my WCF children)—fond memories of Ms. Margaret, Ms. Ruby, Solomon, sardines, misguided directions, power tools, and the joy of giving. Here's to You, my dear Master+ I can't wait until Guatemala!!
 To my Wortham first and PK girlies—endless amounts of love and affection. I love you all!! Thank you for the wonderful memories and for making me feel needed, loved, and appreciated. To Missy—fried green tomatoes, the

butt of an alligator, sensible walking shoes, powdered sugar in odd places, funnel cakes and fountain diving, High Falls retreats, and my life-long friendship. I'm glad to know you simply as a friend; I believe that God will finish all He has begun in you. To Evelyn—heavy duty double-sided tape for those Mambo moments, my love of Senate, my lovely singing voice and natural dancing ability—I taught you everything you know!! the fortitude to wait for your Boaz and be content in the meantime, and all the love and support a sister can offer. To Elouise—a dart gun for those psycho men rampages, the Taboo championship of the world, a life-long exemption pass from board games with the Lockert family, road trips, tickle wars (and I apologize for kicking you too often!!), funnel cake fights, immense gratitude for my hammer and nail, van dances to 'Ice, Ice TB,' a life-time supply of donuts—the good kind—may you never get tired of them, and my undying love, support, and devotion. You are my kindred spirit and I love you. May God Bless you now and always.

I, Sarah Mannle, being of tired mind and soul

will these possessions the following: Chrissy Miner, Natalie Peavey—some amazing stage chemistry, and the hope that we'll all be on stage together again someday...you are all extremely talented and am truly lucky to have had the opportunity to work with you.all. Amber Peavey-S and 1:50 a.m. beer runs, exploding light bulb, red snapper, strawber quick..it was a good poem, smack the donk my suit of armor, the night on your screen porch, dare or dare games, imported Italian chocolates from Murfreesboro...remember one million pazoozles and a unique friendship Lori Brown—a crazy night in tennessee, all my orange blood, a new respect the Dixie Chicks, all right, Peterson...take good care of her while gone...smack her around when she needs it, my birthday song and celebration...whatever happened that night, a butt whooping at pool bathrobes set on fire, had 1,000,000 dollars woo woo, my other pig am glad that we became friends. Silla Sumerlin—your orange shorts the love, the sh*tty



The Grand Green Knights Pose For Their Sophomore Class Picture

girls...rock on with your new little sh*t, a night of dancing with underwear on our heads, a trip

Kim Peterson- the Dipsy Doodle, an hour and a half of daylight, countless

me -don't forget me when i'm gone-

To Megan, I leave the ever popular +Roman Hands and Russian fingers+, unlimited help

ments, and a thing of bran to remember me by.

Oh, and incredible love to go with it. I also leave you an incredible senior year—if there is anyone who can lead, and remember what it is all about, it's you. I leave you Wesleyan.

To Abbie and Angela, the best across-the-hall mates ever, I leave lots of through-the-vents conversations and laughter.

Abbie, I leave you a brand new iron (oh wait, I already did—) And Angela, you can call me a 'brass hole' and read me Cheserton (sp?) any day you want, honey.

To EJ, I leave my awe.

Neither your inherent intelligence nor your captivating creativity (things you have in spades) are your greatest asset. Not even Kris.

Your greatest asset, my dear, is the kindness of your soul. Thank you for that.

To Bri, I leave the library on Sunday nights. Have a ball, kid!

To Nisha, I leave all the Romance ads I can find.

You're hugs and smile have made my year and lifted my heart at some of the worst points.

To Teira, I leave a new GK to teach all about basketball to and the knowing that you have always made my heart happy.

You're a one of a kind K-mart special, kid! ;) To Shannon Elliot, first off forgive me if I misspelled your name!

Heaven knows, you're a bit different ;) But one night last semester I watched you have the poise and patience and understanding that few ever attain and from that point on, you have had my respect. It is my considered opinion that you have a truly good heart. I leave you a good three years and a good bit of happiness.

To Namita, my wife, I leave the memory of our matrimony on the Willet Memorial steps, the meaning of the word 'fornication' and a sense of peace. It's easy to see how much you need that



Senior Year: A Homecoming to Remember

toathens to see SMD, and a crappy meal at Applebee's for your birthday, a million and one traditions for you to keep up with as the big sh*t, the keys to your car...sorry about that, my undying love as your big sister, even if it did come a little late..i love you baby, and i'll miss you. Jame' McCoy- a rocky ride to friendship, a million apologies, Soul Miner's Daughter (1998)...it was a good night, the tears we both cried for the same girl, an endless supply of hair gel, my title on campus...you are the leader now... teach them well, dance lessons, corona's at el sombrero after the place is closed, the potential to be happy, mardi gras beads, your first crawfish experience, a psychic named 'RED' cinamon dental floss, an open invite to Nashville..anytime baby, our 'frat house', one of the craziest nights i have ever had in my life, jello shooters..HA, Rivalry's bonding time..and multiple pitchers of beer, New Orleans and Bourbon St., an ugly queen at Papa Joe's, my first photography session in front of the camera, many memories, and a piece of me, always. i've meant every word...i'll miss you.

stupid movies infront of my fireplace, two shots of tequila and the keys to my brother's car, a nicoderm CQ patch, a nicorette gum...ah nevermind, a carton of cigarettes, endless late night talks of everything and nothing at the same time, mcdonald's, - goodbye earl- and our lyrics to it, drop dead gorgeous, my pool cue, hour long road trips, races down 75 S, a common enemy, grilled cheese and tomato soup, a designated driver...one who drives like an angel, roadhouse tea and an 80's cover band in the freezing cold, You Don't know Jack, the love of Otis and Dottie of course, my aunt's brownies, my chair at the lunch table, one of my pins, a great concert in Milledgeville, a human rights festival, log heaven, happy hour, my room: 201D, i'm sure there is much more i have forgotten, but you know i'll always remember..i'll miss you pete, i'm only a phone call away, and i can be here in 4.45 hours...i've timed myself...you are welcome in tennessee whenever you want..your room will be waiting...i love you, and i will never be able tothank you for all that you have given

I, Christie "Mac" McAlum (known in Romulan circles as "Chrisite Moe"), being of meandering mind and somewhat copious body, hereby bequeath to Kris Mayrhofer all the blushing lizards ever, Derrida, the luxury of comfortable silences, and a truly incredible little sister, because that you will be an awesome big sister is beyond questioning. I also leave you a whole slew of sentimental, heartfelt notes because heaven knows, I love you.

To Taylor, I leave the title Wonder Woman for all time. That says it all right there.

To Natalie, I leave the ability to get elections all sorted out and spiffy.

You are someone I would have liked to have known better. you always made me smile and I have cared about you forever. Keep smiling and say hello to your fiance for me...you know, what's his name—Dick? To Crystal, all the best pretend dates you can handle (and a few real one too), Southland in the Spring Time, the unwavering knowledge of your intense compassion, and, of course, my gut bucket—remember, nobody touches it but you ;)

with physics (not that you need it anymore) and my favorite Washboard song, Country Roads. I leave you also my regard.

You figure that one out.

To Ether, I leave you someone else to plague you by borrowing your clothes :) I also leave you the thought that while it is perhaps better to give than to receive, that sometimes you have to receive in order to best give. You have a great deal of my admiration—I hope you find your voice.

I leave you too a solemn trust—ask me about it later. That, and frogs galore! Btw, I'm sure Rhett Butler is out there waiting on you. Carry on the tradition and follow the freshman before flower march know, too, that you have been one of my favorite people this year. And that's definitely not 'a big negative on that one, hoss'.

To Jen C, I leave the poli sci world to conquer.

To Silla, all the spare change you could ever handle.

To Herrman, I leave a standing lunch at Sweet Sue's—we'll actually go one day.

To Joanne, I leave a possum in the toilet for your worst days, strange tampon Christmas orna-



Green Knights Rush Like Mad People on the Color Rush Field

;) Life is as much about enjoyment and relaxation as it is about hard work.

Balance is the key, dearest one, an even though you cheated on me countless times with men AND women, I love you so much. You are a light.

To Abbie Brannon, I leave you my singular gratitude. You are one of the most genuine, truly sweet people I have ever known and I am so glad I got to be your "Pa". Thank you for loving me this year.

To Nishat, Jennica, and Mary—the rest of the best group of freshman a "Pa" could ask for and certainly the best group I've ever had—I leave you the wisdom of a two hour conversation in the apartments with me, Lauren, Beth, and Tiffany, and the new freshman class—make them feel loved. Nishat, I also leave you a bag of chips and unlimited transportation to the eye doctor's! To Mellissa Van Wie (one of my two GH little sisters), I leave the name Warren Earp. It took a while, but I finally found

it (I think!). Warren wasn't there when the shoot out at the O.K. Corral broke out, but as soon as he got to Tombstone, he stepped right into the thick of it to fight for everyone that he loved. I think you would do that any day, on any terms. There was also an innocence and an intensity about him that I believe you share. I leave you twinkies, a dozen catcalls for when you're wearing 'girl' clothes, laundry, and your own verse of "Coast to Coast" (something about cars and truckers...? ;) I leave you too the promise of truth that stands between us and that means so much to me. I love you, Lissa.

(Btw, since you're an Earp brother too, that makes it incest on two accounts, now doesn't it?) To Lindy, my darling GH little sister, I leave more Aubrey Hepburn and Star Trek than you can handle (one, almost surely outweighing the other!), one-of-a-kind hair antennae, random songs and dances, and the ability to

buckle down next year and hang out on the ole trail because you are one of the smartest people I ever met and I believe in you. I leave you with the knowledge that you've given me one of the greatest gifts I've ever received—the feeling that I am truly fun to be around. I won't soon forget it. I love you so, so much dearheart. I can't quite write everything I want to say to you—except, thanks.

And, of course, until homecoming ;) To Nicole and Kisha, I leave my apologies. I always wanted to do right by ya'll and somehow I never did. But I have always loved you and always watched. Kisha, you are so beautiful, inside and out. And hot darn, you can dance (clearly, not truly related to me!) I leave you a lovely little sister and a good next two years.

Nicole, you were the only little sister I picked for myself from surveys. You are so naturally wonderful and funny. I leave you a standing

movies date, if you ever want to go ;) To Chrissy, I leave the song +So Round, So Firm, So Fully Packed+, the name Doc Holliday, naked woman tetris, a hundred random answering machine messages, and the memory of a certain incident of me falling down a hill. I also leave you cinderblocks galore and Chick-Fil-A dates, and of course, both my breasts. They were yours anyway. And standing orders that you had better call me if anything ever goes wrong or if you just need to talk.

I'll be there as quickly as I can, you know that. I'll love you forever, I'll like you for always; as long as I'm living, my sister you'll be. Know that, please.

You are part of my heart. To Michale, who has been my anchor and my strength for so long, I leave a dozen of my sexiest tractors, french fries that strangely look like ready-to-fire torpedos, some cinder blocks, a pile of spiceless spaghetti, many, many peeps with wax eyes and

fruitopia to wash them down, an absolute ban on water guns, a couple of razor blades, and the name Wyatt Earp. You and Chrissy always did have my back, so to speak. I leave you the knowledge that I love you as completely and as unconditionally as any person possibly can. I also leave you the opinion I have of you, which, if you could experience even for a second, would leave you standing with such assurance and peace that perhaps you can not fathom it. That, and I leave you the title of my t'hy'la. Read the book. You will understand. To both Chrissy and Michale, I leave the strongest commitment and love I possibly can—that of true sistership. I have never understood how you two could love me as you do or why, but I have never ceased to be grateful for it. When my mother passes on, when I marry, the day my first born arrives into this world, I want you two there. To me, you two are as blood.

To the PKs, I leave you each other. That is your strength. Look to it now. To you all, I leave my most humble and sincere thanks and my love.

You, and some semi-scraggly GKs to boot, have been Wesleyan to me. You have been my life and my heart. When I walk from here into the 'world', it will be you who walk in my soul with me.

You have been the fulfillment of a four year goal: my education.

I, Tiffany Moore, whose sanity has been questioned once or twice, bequeath: To my little sisters, Anna, Christen, and Maya my class spirit (transformed from GK to PK) and the love that big sisters have for their little sisters. To Anna who has given me such joy with her smile and love: I leave my ability to procrastinate because you don't do it quite often enough. I, also, leave

you the ability to come up with wacky poetry at 4 am because you're so exhausted that you become a poetic genius ;-). I hope you know that you are a wonderful little sister and that I love you dearly even though I've had to share you with Kat. I hope that you find that the next few years bring you joy and that you never forget me because I know that I'll never forget you.

To Christen who loves me even though I know she finds me quite strange: I leave my love for science fiction and my joy in finding the book that you just can't live without. I, also, leave you a small part of my messy nature because everyone needs to be messy and enjoy it every once in a while. I am so glad to have you as my little sister. You have defended me, loved me, and gently forced me to look at my faults and correct them. I can't believe that this is it, and that I won't see you at lunch or dinner and we won't talk about sci-fi together. I know that things will change, but my love for you won't.

To Maya who is my real little sister even though I 'stole' her: I leave the ability to find joy in the strangest and most unimaginable places because I know that sometimes a smile can be all that stands between a bad day and good one. I, also, leave my love of learning something new or ridiculous and my joy in sharing this knowledge. You have brought joy into my life by being my little sister and I hope that you never regret your decision to let me be your big sister. Even though we are not alike in most things, I have treasured your friendship.

To Tonya P.: I leave my store of English lore (small as it is) so that she, too, can answer trivia questions on Jeopardy ;-). I, also, leave to her my joy in having her as my friend.

To Amanda S., my PK history buddy and friend: I leave the ability to raise your hand so many times in Dr. T's class that when she asks a question you

don't know, she won't call on you.

To Jennifer C., my anime supplier and fellow reader of romance novels: I leave you my small store of language learning ability (even if it is spanish) so that you can translate all the anime songs you love so well.

To Melissa, who lets me play with her guitar even though it has to be tuned after I touch it: I leave to you my ability to say no which I know you sometimes have a hard time saying. I hope you know how much it has meant to me when you have shared your songs or your art.

To Missy Bowen, my Pirate history friend: I leave to you the knowledge that you are a wonderful friend and brilliant history major who I know will make all her GK history major friends proud as you take up our torch of love for history when we leave.

To Lauren H., my crazy PK senate friend: I leave to you my ability to call the question...and call it well!

To Christina E., stealer of the European history book: I leave my love of British

and I hope that next year will be all that you dream. To Abbie Smoak, my Gothic friend: I leave my ability to argue in English class because dissent makes class so much fun. To Antoinette Burrell, my Jamaica friend and fellow history major: I leave my ability to survive History 475 and my joy in our friendship.

To Erica Riggs, my PK buddy: I leave my love and joy in your friendship, and I hope that your little sisters love you and treasure you for the wonderful person that you are.

To Jessica Drexler, my fellow English society officer: I leave to you my joy in the English Society when we are doing something fun like going to the Renaissance festival, and the offer for you to come over and visit will always be open (even if I move to Siberia).

To Jessica Moore, who sold me: I leave to you the knowledge that one day revenge shall be mine and I say that with so much love in my heart ;-p

To Karenne Fru, who understands the torture of

tinator: I leave to you my eensy weensy store of organization and ability to show up on time so that the virus of attendance policies don't infect you negatively. To Ayesha, whose laughter is contagious: I leave to you my ability to play jokes and laugh at the silliest and most ordinary things.

To Laura Davis, a fellow Mac owner: I leave to you my love of Macs and my desire to convert the world into seeing their GLORY! Don't Let the PC people get to you.

To KeeKee, who once worked with me in the Library: I leave to you my love of the library and ability to talk Mrs. Lee and the other librarians into throwing a party for the student workers.

To Namita, my Golden heart soccer buddy: I leave to you my desire to play class sports and the knowledge of when to rest and not push yourself to hard even though you want to play and support your class.

To Rose Dent Ferrie, who promised me a meal at her house and I haven't forgotten: I leave to you my

one who brings their book to class!

To Joanne Sales, my most favorite Rat, I leave to you my joy in having you for a friend and certainty that student teaching or not you will be a fabulous president for your class. Have faith and organize (not something I can help you with of course...*L*)

To Dr. T. who has been the most fabulous advisor and teacher, I leave to you the wish that you get a group of history majors twice as interesting as Green Knights and Golden Hearts combined.

To Dr. Crisp, Dr. Oost, and Dr. Martin, who have all made my English knowledge increase, I leave to you my devotion to science fiction and the hope that one day you too will understand and endorse science fiction and fantasy to all your students.

To All my Wesleyan Sisters, I will never forget you and the gift of your friendship.

I, Tiffany Noell, being of broken body and exhausted mind, do hereby bequeath to:

the GKs - the roller coaster that is the life that we've been living here

the Pirates - three years of memories, EFO, class sports, and the enjoyment of your senior year!

the PKs - the love of a sister, the pride of being a knight, and

fabulousness that is the PK class

the GHs - the ups and downs of this past year and the expectations of the future

My little sisters and cousins - the parties, the drinking, the fun, and the Pub!

Lisa W. - the past eight years and all of the memories that goes with it

Shauna - drinking 'cause we felt like it, darn it!

Susie - our continued friendship

Christie Mac - smiles and winks across the Senate table

Lauren L. - our friendship over the past four years and loud music

(Maris!)

Erin and Stacy - a bottle of tequila and one night during finals



GKs Enjoy Big Sister/Little Sister Banquet

history and the knowledge in another life we were both rulers of England (well maybe that's only my fantasy, but I'll share it with you).

To Bria Andrews, fellow senate exec member: I leave my small store of Parliamentary procedure so you can make the rowdy element of Senate behave,

layout: I leave my love of poetry and the desire to add some shocking and passionate elements to life and the world. ;-)

To Kathryn, my Golden Heart friend who experienced nationalism with me: I leave my tiny store of science because every bit helps ;-)

To Lindy, a fellow procrast-

knowledge of writing papers and my small knowledge of Turabian. I know you will do wonderfully next year and write a fantastic 475 paper!

To Rebecca Williams, who sits next to me in history and lets me borrow her book in class, my gift to you is the hope that next year you sit next to some-

Catherine H. - art classes, class sports and the 5K
 Alin - friendship, tongue-piercings and Dr. Dod
 Lori - memories and the "Super RA" moniker
 Farha and Kizzy - random TP and karaoke at 4am!
 Tracey M. and Beth C. - "Tuck" and M&M labs
 Jess M. and Jenny - parties, tattoos, and memories
 Stacey and Maria - the guilt that should be felt for the lack of corporation and responsibility this year
 Candice - long talks, the Pub, "wax on, wax off", and my land yacht
 Stephanie N. - random parties, random drinking, and random conversations
 Alaina G. - margaritas and your special rhyme
 The Four Musketeers - a bucket full of bad seeds, stupid people, and purple A**hole!
 Lauren H. - the TM speed bump, the grace that comes with getting all of the job done, and the gall to fight for what you believe in
 Bria - the EY speed bump, someone to complain to, hugs and kisses, being a lesbian, and "sips" of alcohol
 Christina E. - the KR and

open invitation
 Lindy M. - conversations in class and musical lunch room seats
 Blue - poetry, weird situations, and a smile
 Jen C. - long conversations, temporary insanity, and car emergencies
 Megan Bryant - the spirit of sisterhood and a love of your class
 Shelly - my leopard-print dress, no underwear, "I'm Sorry!", and a cigarette
 Melissa Van Wie - lots of liquor and beer and "You can love your sister, but you can't LOVE your sister".....oops, wait...
 Mikayla - drinking, hallucinations, and handcuffs

I, Alin Oskanyan, of EXTREMELY tired body and mind, hereby bequeath the following:
 Kimberly G.: the window meetings; many talks, hugs, and hugs; songs we love that were never hits, a beer and a ride, getting lost and then finding our way home, the cabin when you need a break, the basement, personal strength and endurance, and the power to achieve anything

hensive problems, Alpha Kappa Psi meetings and events, the after-club adventure, a beer and a cigarette, the window meetings, the basement, and the courage to follow your heart and mind wherever they may lead you. I love you!
 Stephanie N.: the grey goose, a "trip", hilarious stories, ultra lights, many more mindless, stressless, chillin' classes, talks, the patience to keep a diverse set of friends, and the ability to keep the "who cares" attitude. I love you!
 Ericka S.: another "freakin' suitemate" as cool as I was, a pair of clippers, hair dye, funky Easy Mac, and the patience to find someone with a pretty face and a beautiful heart that will appreciate you for what you are. I love you!
 Katie B.: Smokes, talks, hugs, cries, goodbyes, drives to Athens and back, courage, strength, my eternal twin sisterhood. I love and miss you!
 Pam W.: drives, many drives, the Greyhound station, more haircuts, lots of "you know what", and remember, you will always be my little sister no matter

mester! I love you!
 To the rest of you at Wesley world, good luck and may you have the energy and strength to get through the next few years and to always follow your dreams. Peace out...

I, Jeanette Rodriguez, of tired mind and wornout body, hereby bequeath the following To Vicki Bland I leave all nighters that last 36 hours and endless procrastination sessions (anyone want to watch a movie). I also leave you laughter and a dream to answer all of your unsettling questions:) To Tia Simmons, I leave you my endless love and affection. I have never laughed, cried, fought, played, or enjoyed anyone as much as I have with you. You will always carry two hand fulls of my heart with you. Remember me always. To Michelle C., I leave you with no more Spanish classes and infinite Marc Anthony C.D's (Ha!) To Alin, I leave you strength and guidance for what feel that you deserve anything less than perfection. To Luca, I leave you nothing but my fondest memories of the short time we had together. Never give up your childlike spirit. You have brightened my life on a daily basis and I thank God for you. To Shana, I leave you luck, although you probably won't need it. Just remember me when you get nominated at the Grammy's. I want the first copy of your album. To Rhonda, I leave you laughter and many more Dr. Taylor classes. You are a very kind and considerate soul. Good luck in all your ventures. To Carlyce, I leave you my room downstairs. If there is no one there to bother you, than you can play your music as loud as you want or you could even hold all night dance sessions (###\$%\$\$). Thank you for making me laugh, when I didn't think I had it in me.
 To Namita, I leave you with advice, never change. You are simply perfect. To Amber B., I have never seen someone so committed. I want to see you in ten

years, I'll see you at the top:) To Janice, I leave with patience. I don't have to wish you luck, God already blessed you. I send you with angels to always look after you and your baby. Michelle P., I leave with courage. You have taught me a lot about myself. Although you may always agree with someone, you must respect what they have to say. Thank you for always standing your ground. You are unique. Good Luck. God Bless. To Dr. Dr. thank you for showing me how to believe in myself. To Esther, I leave my hour conversations and phone number. Its not that we'll never see each other. To Dr. King, when I grow up, I want to be just like you. You are so full of love. I really admire you. To Donovan, you have been an inspiration. You are the epitome of what a woman should be: polite, confident, and intelligent. To Dr. Mettler, thank you for always having a smile for me. To Gwen H., I love ya baby. Never let the sweat. Much success you and yo' man (Ha!) Wesleyan, I leave nothing but advice, enjoy it while you can, it does go by fast. To Audrey Bey, I leave you with laughter. You are truly unique. When I'm mous me and you double date, You Michael J. alright:) Audrey. To Vida, keep latin flava on campus. We are such a sweetie:) rice, Grave Digger, I leave you with yoga techniques, breath my dirt queen. Joya, I leave you with a fully stretched body. You looks great, just gorgeous. Travia, or should I say Mary, keep ya head. Perseverance is key. Don't go and kill any children alright. Jess S. Good luck with whatever you do. I know you'll knock 'em dead. Queen B Tina, we love it. Don't break too many hearts, Good luck.

I, Jess Salter, being supposedly enlightened mind and occasional sound body, hereby leave the burden and duty of thinking up outrageous



Pep Rally Anyone? GK's in Green

MB speed bumps, inner beauty, and the knowledge that I love you (even if you are straight)
 Christy Jo - the FL speed bump, our song, love and laughter, gossip, our room, this summer, a shoulder to lean on, and all of the memories of this past year
 Purple - the KC speed bump, drinking in the park, breast and booty-grabbing, and an

you dream of without letting the other stuff get you down. I love you!
 Carmen H.: many more dances with Bill, a cigarette if you need it, country drives, getting lost and then finding our way home, the energy to write those papers, the basement, and the ability to see the beauty and strength that everyone else sees in you. I love you!
 Casey C. no more compre-

ter where you are. I love you!
 Carol L. and Christine W.: The post office, the stupid questions, many cruises, ENERGY, and an intern that will be of good help to you. I love you!
 AKPsi Former Pledges: You know who you are! I leave you the power to make AKPsi everything that it can possibly be and to have fun while doing it! Thank you for a memorable se-

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themes for parties to all of my underclassmen buddies, one pair of brightly colored tacky rodeo chinks to Beth Williford, lots of hugs and comforting talks to Reverend Hurdle, all of my not-empty-enough liquor bottles and lots of torrid soap opera barn romance to Emily Helmick, and my bottle of "noassatall" pills to Dana Hooper. To Dr. Prudhomme and Dr. Schilbrack I leave the burden of finding another philosophy major and lots of gratitude for making me a more introspective person. To Dr. P specifically I leave a partially written honors thesis with lots of red and green pen marks (you know the ones I'm talking about — you put them there). To my little sister Chenny I leave what little musical talent I have (not that she needs it) and lots of love and luck. To my little sister April I leave a piece of my heart, my love for "girly drinks", trusty Ryan to teach you as much as he's taught me, and the quick wit and sharp tongue that often turns guys off but is always good for a laugh when needed — I hope I haven't been too bad of an influence. To Becka Smedley I leave "the country boys" and the ability to look good in a cowboy hat anytime. To Desiree Lenz I leave lots of quarters to play "Sweet Home Alabama" on every jukebox available. To my class I leave all of the bittersweet emotions that we all share. To Wesleyan I leave 4 of the best years of my life, one slightly trashed apartment, and an obscene amount of college loans. Thanks for the memories!

I, Miss L. M. Stanley, of reserved and proper discernment, have very few social effects to bequeath, but what little I have; I will give unto the individuals henceforth inscribed.

Unto Miss Megan Bryant, I bequeath the eminence of being the official pool keeper.

Unto Miss Heidi Walker, I bequeath the title of being a good-hearted little sister, and the hope for many horse show victories, and a successful junior year.

Unto Miss Anna Nelson, I bequeath my first pet dino. She will be an excellent room guard. If anybody tries to attack your room, she will eat them (she really will, and I'm being literal).

Unto Miss Wrennie Perry, Ruthie, the second, wanted me to type this for her because she is a poor typist (it is kind of difficult if one

Cuervo 1800, Bacardi, Cuervo Especial, Chambord Liqueur, Goldschlager, Galliano Liqueur, Wild Turkey, Rumble Minze, Smirnoff, Crown Royal, Frangelico liqueur, Midori Melon liqueur, Grand Marnier liqueur, and Absolut. Also my favorite bottle of tequila and my Wildberry Tea Koolaid. To Dr. Rowan,



The Proud, The Few, and The Spirited--The GK's Junior Class Picture

only has two claws on each arm). Ruthie wishes to bequeath unto George many vegetarian dino meals, and her favorite dinosaur poster.

Unto Miss Laura Davis, I bequeath many trips to the kro-ge'r.

A' Mlle. Karenne Fru, je te le'gue nos conversations en Francais pendant 4 anne'es.

Unto Miss Jessica Drexler and Miss Sandy Vega, I bequeath a cheerful outlook for a fun and successful senior year.

I, Shauna L Stotler, hereby leave to the beauty and serenity of Wesleyan College, the sounds of my screeching tires and the several pairs of scratch marks on both front and back campus. To Campus Police, I leave the grand memory of playing chicken on the walkways between Tate and Taylor after pep rallies. To Shannon and Jo, I leave my bottle of Malibu,

I leave our wonderful little talks about my SIE project and all the laughs you, me and Cally had in Drugs and Behavior Fall semester. I expect to see pictures from Amsterdam!! To Dr. Ferguson, Dr. Peterson and Kathy, I leave the chemistry labs in one piece, my Gateway, the Gas Chromograph and the dirty glassware in the dish washer. To Stacey, I leave with you my "RITE OF PASSAGE", may it always remain attached to you. To my little sisters, Elsa, Laney, and Michelle, I leave the two years of memories we had and the friendship we maintained through internet boyfriends, frat parties and picking up waiters at every restaurant. To Laney, I leave you in the hands of Brian and Elsa, may God help them and have mercy on their mortal souls. You have become one of my best friends and my true sister, I love you dearly.

(Tina Swain) Upon leaving Wesleyan College, I would suggest the following to present and future Wesleyanians:

- Stay away from those cafeteria males.
- Do not take advantage of campus police's generosity
- Try not to procrastinate
- Triple check your advisors.
- Take time for yourself or

together as I would have liked, but I know our little time shared will remain with me always. Though I'll be leaving, I am certain that your beauty will light up the campus just as mine did. All jokes aside, you are a beautiful person, inside and out, and I will really miss you.

To Tahirah, Calessa, and Teira:

Maybe next year will be more fun and you can stay longer! I know I didn't take the opportunity to get to know you as well as others might have but I observed you from a distance. And I'm proud to say that you women are remarkable. You truly have your heads screwed on straight and that is very important at our young age.

To my favorite little Golden Heart, Katie:

You're the greatest! You keep it real and let things flow. I value your spirit because you are able to live life to the fullest. Stay free! To the Golden Hearts, Purple Knights, Pirates, and Green Knights:

You are Women, and Women Of Wesleyan - You're destined to be great!!!

Become in tune with your spirituality and you shall find strength to accomplish all things!

GOD BLESS YOU!

you'll go crazy here
To my little sister, Nisha:
Sorry we just found each other! I regret we were not able to spend as much time

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Editor's Note

This is the last edition of the paper and as is tradition it is filled with the memories and Last Wills of the seniors. All opinions expressed are those of the author and not of the newspaper staff.

I, Jennifer Marie Swihart, being of weary mind and tired body, do hereby bequeath the following to the following people:

To my best friend in the whole world Cathy - where do I begin? another year at Wesleyan, the strength and energy to make it through 350, student teaching, senior integrative, and curriculum, any of my materials you want to steal or borrow after I am in the "real world", random road trips, the Waffle House with Pat, Joey, and Jeff, the Pub, random and only occasional df's, working out, talks that lasted until 2 am, picking up random men, Ohio, Savannah, Edisto, millions of nail parties, our traditional and rarely missed Thursday night dates, cleaning parties, our harems, gourmet cooking and meals, pictures in front of random post offices, the following words - "fass", "chit" "chod" "vaclempted", posters and creative wall decorations, hair dying parties, chats online, DJ Jazzy Jen, the role of being the spokesperson for Saturn and the Dollar Store, 4th of July at Callaway, catch-up chats and scandalous gossip fests, slumber parties, make-over parties, getting "cultured" by venturing to the Opera and numerous plays as well as museums, my love for Van Gogh, warning me about any potential rodents I may encounter on television or movies, "I can't remember if I like this..", the band "S.Fantasy", our mansion and Adrian and Sven, homework parties, your dad's yard glove, the spot treatment, Sax man, our book that we hope to finish writing one day, "Barbie Girl", many great concerts in your car, sharing vocals on "American Girl", the ability and permission to call any professor by their first name, Joey and the fish curtain, copying random poems for our own benefit, slow service at Denny's, Geisha girl, "You have chopstick?", the joke that is so funny but we have no idea what the punch line is - I need two piece, "Get it, get it", my



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ability to go shopping and not spend a dime, our love for naming everything, Pimp and Ho Makeovers, my ability to add that special touch to certain gourmet meals such as Tuna Noodles, our expert ability to judge any drag show, my anal/obsessive habit of not being able to relax until I have some homework done - may it get you through senior year, the willingness to always try almost anything once, Siamese twins separated at birth by the middle finger, espn, sleep talking, Uno and Canasta, visits to your doctor's office, and so much more. I know this barely scratches the surface. I leave you a shoulder to lean on, cry on, etc. and someone who knows you and loves you no matter what. You are wonderful and I will miss you so much but I know you won't be very far. I wish you the best of luck and I will not say goodbye since it really isn't goodbye. Thanks for all the memories and I look forward to many more! "I loce ya!" Jen :)

To my future sister in law? Abbie - I leave you another wonderful year at Wesleyan, memories of 410 and the symposium, our get-ready parties, my "good" advice, my mom's hash browns, Sunday dinner at the Tucker's residence, Rock-a-Billy's and the Swinging Medallions, Jekyll Island, the strength, energy, creativity, time, and sleep to make it through student teaching and STUNT, weekly catch-

up conversations, the greatest gift I may ever give you JMB - (though he wasn't really mine to give - I just set things in motion ;-)) my friendship and love always, an ear when you need it, and a hug just because. I will miss you but I am sure I will be seeing you plenty next year!

To Joanne Sales - education classes, Edisto, the Math Conference, df, pubbing, dyslexia, pep rallies, the necessary energy, strength and sleep to make it through your last year as an education major - you will be great! If you need any teaching materials, ideas, etc., please just ask! Best of luck Jo and please keep in touch!

To all education majors - plenty of energy, creativity, sleep, determination, and patience - you will need it! I know it will seem tough, but you will make it and learn almost everything you need to know. Take advantage of everything and make opportunities for yourself. Learn as much as you can before you get in that classroom. Be the best you can possibly be - educators should be intelligent, creative, caring, and excellent all-around so strive to do just that! You will all be wonderful! Good luck!

To my lil sister Kee Kee - I leave you PA meetings, Ingleside Pizza, McDonald's - nothing like a gourmet meal there, random men in restaurants who always want to pick you up, the lost Boys to Men member who

seranaded you, any thing you need from me in the future to help you get through college or the education department - ideas, lesson plans, activities, examples, or if you just need to talk, 3 more years in college - enjoy it while you can, an address and number where you can always reach me, even if we are both old and gray ;), and an adopted big sister for next year, Cathy. I am so sorry I will not be seeing you much next year and I will miss you tremendously but you will always be my little sister and a major part of my life and memories at Wesleyan. You were the best little sister anyone could have ever hoped for and you are a super, kind, smart, sweet, and just fabulous person - don't ever change. Don't forget me and good luck! I know you will do great. I will come visit you and you are more than welcome to visit me anytime! My love always - your big sis Jen.

To all of the Pirates - only one more year at Wesleyan! I cannot believe this time has gone by so fast. I can remember our FYS Retreat as if it were yesterday and meeting all of you for the first time while moving in, on the first day of class, or at a hall meeting. Thank you for being such a wonderful class. I truly think we have a unique and fabulous group of girls in this class and even though I will be walking with the Green Knights, in my heart

I will always be a Pirate. Please keep showing your Pirate spirit and sisterhood and I wish you all the best of luck in the future. With out everyone in this class my experience at Wesleyan just would have not been the same. Thank you!

I, Lisa R. Wentz, being of tired mind and stress-out body, do hereby bequeath the following:

To Jan Tedders, I'm crossing my fingers and we both know why. I also leave to you the memories of the good years and the days of Joe even the times he crashed the Mac server (he! he!), who knew Mac really made a car crashing sound. Thank you for being such a good friend and confidant, I will never forget you and I hope that our friendship grows in years to come.

To Missy Graham memories of our long walks that we took before the "accident" and the times when I have run to you for comfort and safety through all of these years. I also leave to you my unending thanks for always being my friend and for your devotion and encouragement. One day hope that I can be the same to you that you are to me. You may also have some of my ability to sit and do nothing and be happy about it, because there are times for all things including time for Missy to relax. You certainly deserve it. Can you wait until July? I know I can't!

To Shauna Stotler, memories of our first year together, of FYS and your uncanny ability to always play "devil's advocate", of our room and the never-ending supply of food under your bed, of the scavenger hunt (I still have the pictures), and of the nights when you went to sleep with my typing and I went to sleep with your whisperings on the phone. You were quite a roommate and quite a person for putting up with me. You are really a sweet person, though not many people on this campus may know that. You are also a wonderful friend. Thank you for everything.

know that you are a friend for life and I am proud to say that you are my 'sister' and my bridesmaid. I told you that you would be!

To Wrennie Perry, Wedding, Baby, and Dating Stories on TLC, all the dinosaurs and Drew pictures that I can afford, a little sister who matches up to your perfectly, good friends (remember it's not the quantity, it's the quality), my ability to not care what others think (especially not the two-faced ones), and my blessings to you as you pursue one of the most difficult and unappreciated jobs on this campus next year. Always remember the advice I gave you about that, and if you ever need encouragement you will always know where I am. I love you Wrennie, you make me proud and I hope one day that you realize how wonderful of a friend and little sister you are. May you always be as happy with Matt as I am with Joe, your happiness in your relationship will keep you sane throughout the upper-class years at Wesleyan. OH MY GOSH, MY LITTLE SISTER IS ABOUT TO BE A BIG SISTER, FEEL SO OLD!!!!!!!

To Shannon Kunday, my blessings for having to hang with the rats and the "big guy". You are a wonderful friend and have enjoyed our conversations and friendship. Thank you for always being there for me, if you ever need me, I will always be just a phone call away. Also, if you ever need to buy any more of those hot pink thongs, just let me know and I'll hook you up.

To Joanne Sales, I leave to you my Goofy-loving self, because your goofy ways are the sunshine in my day. If you ever decide to collect anything, I'll be glad to get you started on a Disney theme. Heck, I would even give you one of my very own beloved Goofy dolls, because you are worth it! Thanks for your smiles and sunshine, your friendship truly means the world to me and I am glad to call you a friend.

To Bria Andrew,

bad seed or good seed? Who would want to be a "good seed" anyway??? Besides, in my eyes you are always a sweet seed. I leave you my ability to ignore the two-faced people, say cuss words when they are truly descriptive of the person or the situation, and get the guy of your dreams and who God has intended for you.

To Erin Young, your choice of alcohol and a hitman to kill a person of your choice (yes, you'll have to choose just one). You were a wonderful president and I will never forget our times together as officers our first and second year. Thanks for always being able to make me laugh and for our fabulous conversations in Taylor. Thanks for letting me vent to you and for helping me plot the destruction of all those who ticked me off throughout the years.

grow and strengthen throughout the lifetime. Each of you have made significant impact upon my life and I hope that you will never forget the times that we have shared and will continue to keep in touch throughout our lives. I know that wherever you ladies go in life, success and happiness will soon follow. I love all of you.

To Tiffany Noell, have you ever wondered why we went from "[the] Green [knight] ain't got no mama" in high school to "Green Knights" ourselves? And you, the GK mascot...shocking! The black and white knight would not be proud. :)

To all psychology seniors, sanity. Meet me May 2nd on the quad and we'll burn our integrative papers in effigy!!!!!! I'll bring the gasoline, someone bring a lighter. I don't know how we survived, but

interested in. May your committee love you and you not go insane in the process (though to want to do one can be classified as an insane act). If you want a free honor's thesis in psychology, I will gladly sell you mine as I don't need it anymore.

To anyone who wants it, my LC580....what am I going to do with it anyway???? I'll also be very generous and throw in the software that it came with. In fact, if you're willing to trade your machine with mine, call me before I leave.

To everyone, the realization that you will get out of here much quicker than you realize. It seems that it was just yesterday that I was attending my big sister's graduation and now, here I am, about to graduate and I don't even realize it. Keep making memories and strengthening friendships because your college friends will truly be your friends for life.

I, Kima Charysse Whipple, being of frazzled mind and body do bequeath the following:

I leave Calessa Wells my love for Acting and much success in whatever career path you choose. Keep that nice country/classy accent that we both share ...

I leave Tahirah Muwwakkil my ability to maintain perfect attendance in class:) Stay as sweet as you are and you'll be 'tight fo life'...

To Nikki Bradshaw, I leave my manners, please take them! I know you thank you got Indian in yo family so don't cut your hair...

To Matilda Smith, I am sorry we didn't get the chance to spend more time together. I am glad we got to work together on 'Cyrano' and wish you much luck here at Wesleyan and beyond...

To Sarah Chandler, I'm glad we got to know each other. It was truly a pleasure working with you on 'Cyrano'. I couldn't have made it without you.

You and Amber try to stay out of trouble. I will forever treasure my Ebony

Musk!

To Frazer Lively, I would like to express my appreciation for her constant encouragement. I hope you decide to stay here for a while and continue to bring exciting people and productions to this campus...

To Jessica Moore, stay as sweet as you are... and Katie Sidwell, girl, you are a pleasure to be around and a cool dude. Stay that way...

To Carlyce, keep representin'. You are a trip...

To Ruby, who is the baddest chick??? I am, cause I can bend my toes! You are beautiful and enough of the boobie shirts, okay?

To all art majors I leave patience and time management skills! You're gonna need them...

To Unison, I leave fun times... Andrea and Ebony I leave my leadership abilities and hope they can stop talking enough to preside over the team. Keep Unison alive! Well, I think I've taken up enough space. To all those I left out, know that you are all my sisters. I'm out like a scout on a new route Jack! Peace, love and happiness always. Grand Green Knight...

I, Sheila Williams, who will be of sound mind once I leave this campus, leave the following people items as listed:

To Laretha and Ebony, my slick titration skills and prayers for Analytical.

To Namita, a comfy couch in the library for sleeping/studying. I also entrust her with seeing to it that no one macks Vida.

Elsa and Nisha, malted mudslides, marguerites, greeting cards, dye, and late night movies.

Erica, my mastery yoga in the hopes that it will help you through the coming years and life in the apartments.

Charlissa and Kristen S., many smiles this year have been products of know ya'll. I leave the two of you my best wishes and permission to mack on Vida.

I leave all of the above my



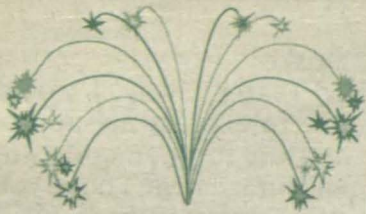
GK's pose in Jamaica

You are wonderful. I know that you will go far in life and I hope that you keep in touch.

To Deneen Gurley, Leslie Lary, Beth Williford, Catherine Hawkins, Leslie Wright, Erin Davis, Christie McAlum, LaRhanda McTizic, Katherine Hinton, and all of those who I consider my friend (please forgive me if I forgot to name you, do remember it is with tired mind that I write this), the hopes that our friendships will continue to

somehow we've managed to make it through this year. Each of you have earned a special place in my heart and I know that I will always look back on these stressful times with a smile because of you.

To anyone attempting an honor's thesis next year, my blessings and the realization that it is graded, you do have to present it, and people will come to see it. Please please please pick something that you are truly



GKS FLY TOGETHER



love and the knowledge that they can call me at anytime and for any reason.

Oh yeah, to the Step in My Groove, you don't get anything. I'm not going far enough out of your life for that to be necessary. I will leave you the promise of countless future memories to match those like Javy stalking, Spanglish speaking, a random trip to Miami, hockey games, baseball games, men in elevators, a seven day road trip alone together, lunches, socials, trips to the fountain, picture taking, and a thousand other random moments. You have a burden to continue the chain that started with Laura. We need a family picture of four generations. Laura and I both leave you with the luck that gave me two lifetime friendships. I love you.

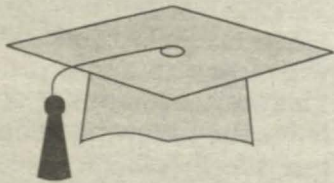


I, Erin Young, being of sound mind and able body leave to Angel S. my ability to love a sister away, three short years and my ability to function at levels of deprivation that lead to death. To the basketball team, I leave my love and passion for a really good brawl!! I leave the Love Shack to any girl who wants to be kissed by a drag queen and felt up by Jamaican locals. Dunda, I leave my love of the leather lounge and the next year of experiencing Barry-built science. I leave Erica Herrmann with the one thing that I could never trust to anyone else...my talented beautiful little sister who has virtue is in your hands (ha ha). All of these things I leave in the name of new friends and old sisters. Amen

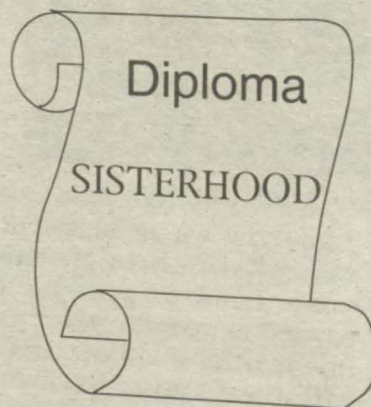
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STUNT is HERE!!!

Students travel overseas in May

By Libby Garrett

This May term several Wesleyan students and teachers will travel the globe. Three separate trips are in the works: two to England and one to Russia. Dr. Delmas Crisp and Dr. Libby Bailey will teach Chaucer, Shakespeare, and architecture in Oxford, England, and Dr. Frazer Lively in London, England will discuss various types of drama and theater techniques. Business students have the ability to compare and contrast American and Russian business systems in Ulyanovsk, Russia.

Each of the trips has the possibility of diverse cultural experiences. Dr. Crisp and Dr. Bailey's students might visit Stonehenge to learn more about the history and architecture of the magnificent monument while Dr. Lively's students will frequent the local theaters to get a taste of European drama from the past and present. The two groups might convene at the newly built Globe Theater since the students can study Shakespeare and drama. The students from Russia might visit the ballet with their personal Russian escort/translator.

First-year student Lauren Eckman plans on going to Oxford this summer because she believes "It's going to be a wonderful experience. I don't see how anyone could pass up this opportunity."

Each trip runs approximately \$3,500 for a three-hour credit, but prices are subject to change depending on the amount of participation. Please contact Dr. Delmas Crisp or Dr. Libby Bailey for English and art classes, Dr. Frazer Lively for theater classes and Dr. Austin Schlenker for business classes.

Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.

-Oscar Wilde

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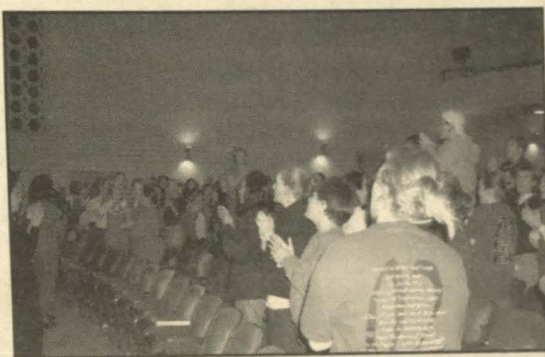
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The beginning of STUNT season has come. On Feb. 11, students gathered at Porter Auditorium to kick off STUNT. The reading was held the same night and STUNT paint sessions began Feb. 12.

WOW! A Day for Macon is 'a big success'

by Isa Amaya

On Feb. 10, the second annual WOW! A Day for Macon was held. The event is held annually to encourage Wesleyan students, faculty, and staff to volunteer their services to the Macon community.

The day began at 8 a.m. with a breakfast in the lobby of the Corn Apartments. Susan Allen brought doughnuts and coffee donated by Wesleyan's Development Office. Chesapeake Bagel Co. also donated bagels and cream cheese for the event. The breakfast also consisted of coffee and hot tea that was provided by the Student Affairs Office at Wesleyan. As the crowd of dedicated volunteers awaited their assignments, they ate and mingled with the others who came to join them for WOW!.

The 85 volunteers that came to the event included students, professors and administrators. Jim Ferrari even brought his wife and two small daughters that Saturday which added to the joy of all those who were present.

After breakfast, all WOW! participants went to various sites. The volunteer sites were Aunt Maggie's Kitchen, Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army, Girl Scouts of Middle Georgia, Downtown Council, and Georgia Children's Home.



photo by Penny Kojak

Students Hannah Callander '01 and Therese Tholkes '03 volunteer at WOW! by planting flowers on Cherry Street for Downtown Council.

The volunteers that went to Aunt Maggie's Kitchen cleaned up the area and baked cookies for the local children that were in attendance. At the Habitat for Humanity site, WOW! participants did landscaping on some Habitat for Humanity Homes that have recently been finished. Those that traveled to the Salvation Army site helped catalogue clothes at the Salvation Army thrift store while the volunteers at the Girl Scouts of Middle

Georgia volunteer site went hiking with a Girl Scout troop from Hartley Elementary school to the Ocmulgee Indian Mounds.

WOW! volunteers also help plant flowers in downtown on Cherry Street and surrounding area for the Downtown Council as well as help children at the Georgia Children's Home by cleaning some areas of the building.

At noon, the community service portion of the day was complete and all WOW! participants attend-

ed lunch at the Trice Conference Room. They enjoyed Domino's pizza and sodas as members from each WOW! volunteer site spoke of their experience.

During the lunch door prizes were also given. The door prizes included three umbrellas donated by Colonial Bank, four T-shirts donated by Merrill Lynch, and a gift basket donated by In Good Taste. Other door prizes included two tickets to Macon Little Theater, a gift certificate for Between The Bread, and a twenty-dollar gift card for the newly named Hurdle Café at Wesleyan.

Many students at the luncheon recommended that WOW! A Day for Macon be held twice a year instead of annually. It is a recommendation that may very well come to pass considering the success it has had since it's beginning.

Jason Pontius, Director of Student Activities at Wesleyan, stated that this year's event was indeed "a big success." He also mentioned that "WOW! A Day for Macon is a great event because it gives the Wesleyan community a chance to give back to the town of Macon and it also encourages staff and students to turn one day of service into a life long habit."

Proud to be single!

I have often heard Valentine's Day referred to as "Singles Awareness Day." The motive behind this cliché is to say that we, as women, are depressed because we are not in a relationship.

My question to you ladies, is why is it that this is the one day a year that we fear the most?

Is this the only day we think about missing that special someone in our lives?

Is it because everyone around us is getting flowers and candy and diamonds?

Well, my sentiment is why is it that we only give and receive these gifts and become more enthralled in romance every 14th of February?

These actions and thoughts should happen everyday we are alive! Love is not for just one day a year. Things like dental cleanings are for once a year! **FORGET THAT!!**

I do not celebrate Valentines Day as being a day for remembering that I love someone, I show it no matter what day of the year and to all of the people in my life. Instead; I celebrate my independence! I AM PROUD TO BE SINGLE!!! I don't need a man in my

life; ladies you don't need a man or woman in your lives.

The fact is we NEED very little. It is what we want that is lacking.

It is time for you to ask yourselves WHY you think you need someone significant in your life.

Ladies, we are the strong sex; we have what it takes to make it through this world alone. WE do not need anyone but each other. WE are Wesleyannes, and we came here for sisterhood and friendship.

I am going to celebrate THAT on Valentines Day! Join me in a celebration of independence!!

Ladies always remember: God put you here for a reason; you are a beautiful, powerful and person. You deserve to hear that everyday of your lives, not just on Feb. 14.

I believe this is one of the most thoughtless and moneymaking schemes that we as a society chose to entertain. Let's make Valentines Day every day; but not for gifts, not for chocolate and certainly NOT the only day we think about romance!

So here is to our independence and strong will ladies!! Happy Valentines Day!

Mai Landis

Random thoughts from the Editor

The course of this school year has taken many wild turns at Wesleyan. Construction plagues the campus. Some of it has been finished and others look like they will take forever. The newly named Hurdle Cafe, after the Chaplain Reverend Bill Hurdle, was finally completed over winter break. The treeless field however, behind Porter Auditorium, is now a mud wrestling arena. From all previous construction experience, it will remain that way for a while.

With the changes arresting the environment, one would wonder how it affects the student work atmosphere. Can a student really do four hours of homework if there is jackhammering shaking the building as they type?

Can a student really be expected to stay awake during the day when they wake up at six in the morning to the pleasant sounds of the air pressure machines that power the jack hammers?

Is this environment appropriate for the level of work that students are expected to accomplish during the day? Let us not mention the level of work we are required to do during night time hours.

Are we really safe when we have random construction guys wandering the campus occasionally dropping their assignments to ogle at the passing females?

Perhaps not. These along with other questions have cluttered the air since we first stepped foot on campus this fall. Often times we find that the students are led into

believing notable half truths labeled, "in our best interest"

What we rarely find is the management of students into seeing for what is in their own best interest. I honestly believe that a school that teaches education, especially of women, should teach us to accept what we are told but to think for ourselves. How many times you honestly say Wesleyan has done this for you? I can't think of one. The most notable question that comes to mind, seems to be, "If I see something that is not in my best interest and I tell someone, will they even listen. Well, I think sometimes it just takes a little pushing. We can be heard, but we have to make sure we are heard."

LaRhanda M...

Civitas Board revives the 'proper ladies'

Wesleyan has struggled against the image of a finishing school from the beginning, trying from the beginning to establish its academics as a true education. In keeping with this struggle, in this

effort to prevent an all-female institution from being taken less seriously as a center of learning, Wesleyan has developed innovative academic techniques and worked hard to focus more on education and less on the appearance and manners of students. Ok, y'all can stop laughing now.

This institution seems to care a lot about appearances. Occasionally I wonder if the focus on appearances undermines the academics by putting less focus on them and more on the superficial aspects of Wesleyan, but that is another matter. Wesleyan does love appearances.

Was that deep caring about appearances the drive behind the new Civitas Board? Or was it a desire to guarantee that all graduates of Wesleyan have proper manners and behave like true Southern ladies? From the amount of "suggestions" outlined, one would think that the students had previously behaved like drunken frat boys. Were the Wesleyannes really so malicious, rude, and nudist-inclined to inspire such limits? Or does the administration have no trust in the students' ability to choose for themselves? Do they believe that students cannot handle the responsibility of choosing their own words and clothes — that the administration must dictate this for the students? Is there no belief in the students' ability to sort through issues and reach compromises on their own?

There must not be, since Civitas Board appears as a substitute parent, here to referee all student tiffs and make sure all its daughters

leave the house properly as well as threatening to potty mouths out with vulgar language is used. How can something set up to be each individual citizen's responsibilities" leaves none students. Instead, all Wesleyan must behave like proper ladies all times, with the awareness that Mama Civitas is watching. "Proper ladies" is an old-fashioned one used to emphasize the difference between feminists, who fight for their minds and fight for rights, and ladies, who keep their minds and fight for rights and tactful while doing their best not to offend. How can we claim pride in educating women if we be powerful when students are granted power over their bodies? How can students be leaders if they are not given responsibilities? How can students speak different, opposing views if they truly learn to express themselves? They live in fear of offending. One could argue that the Civitas Board was not set up to be a substitute parent. Yet, with the vague language used to define the intent perceived by many students, this is how Civitas appears as. It is imposed on many students, including those to imagine that a board had been set up to regulate speech and dress and actions — and that being denied the right to protest such losses. This college has been a democracy, but I have hoped to never see it turned into a finishing school.

Rachel G...

Arkansas presents:

Dirty Old Men

The Internet is crawling with perverts. Dirty old men who enjoy preying on innocent little girls are everywhere online. Old gross males, who haven't shaved or bathed in days, hunched over their computers in dark rooms, typing sweet nothings to naive females who haven't a clue. This is my mother's perception of the Internet. Actually, her perception of every random person who e-mails or instant messages me. If they say they're male, she knows that it's only a matter of time before they find out my address and start stalking me. If they're female, well, they're lying and are really male and going to stalk me - only this time my stalker will be in drag.

Every one of our conversations about my Internet friends goes something like this:

Me: "I met this really funny guy the other night...."

Mom: "At a church? ...Are you going to church?"

Me: "No, Mom, I met him online...."

Mom: "Online?! — You didn't tell him anything, did you? Do you know how many perverts there are out there? He could be stalking you! ...Have you noticed anyone in a dark car following you lately?"

Me: "Mom, I'm being careful, he's harmless - he's just a guy I talk to online."

Mom: "No, he's a pervert — the Internet is full of them. ...Do you have any really buff friends? Do the campus police escort girls around campus? Can I get them to do that?"

Me: "Mom, I'm fine. He has no clue where I live or who I am.... We just talked about the weather and cheese. He was a big fan of cheese."

Mom: "You know, Rachel, you really have to stop talking to these dirty old men... tell them you have homework to do and block them!"

Really, what's a girl to do? I love the Internet — I especially love AIM. Not that I'm addicted, mind you. I still find time to shower, eat meals, and attend classes. Which means there are four hours out of every day that I spend off the Internet. I figure that's more than enough time off the Internet to prevent me from having an addiction. And the convulsive shaking I get while offline is a caffeine overdose or the low temperature in the room. Has nothing to do with me being offline.

But with all this time spent online, I have to talk to somebody. And I can't help if I attract men like watermelon attracts ants. It's only natural that they can't resist me. And I've never been one to not talk. So, I simply can't avoid talking to these random online guys. No matter what my mother says, I don't believe they are dirty old men. Not that it matters, though. They may not be young, handsome, and decent, but I'm not six-foot, blonde, and slender with a D cup either.

Who's Who: Saint Valentine

By LaSonia Clay

Every February, across the country, candy, flowers, and gifts are exchanged between loved ones, all in the name of Saint Valentine. But who is this mysterious saint?

The Catholic Church acknowledges Valentine, or Valentinus, as a martyr. He was actually a Catholic priest who served during the 3rd century, the time when Emperor Claudius II ruled Rome. The Emperor decided that single men made better soldiers than married men, because single men did not have responsibilities toward a wife or family. Since the soldiers usually consisted of young men, the Emperor decided to outlaw marriages of young, single men. Valentinus, the priest, disagreed with the Emperor. He felt that marriage was very appropriate and that it wasn't fair to deny the

young men a chance for happiness. Valentinus decided to secretly continue to marry young couples. When his actions were discovered, the Emperor ordered that he be put to death.

While in prison, it is believed that Valentinus actually sent the first "valentine" greeting card himself. He fell in love with a young girl, believed to be his jailor's daughter, who regularly visited him during his confinement.

Before his death, Valentinus wrote the girl a letter, which he signed "from your valentine," an expression that is still in use today. Although we do not know the actual truths behind the Valentine legends, the stories present him as a sympathetic, heroic, and, most importantly, romantic figure. His character lives on through the present generation, as we imitate his genuine expression of love each Valentine's Day.

It is one of the great troubles of life that we cannot have any unmixed emotions. There is always something in our enemy that we like, and something in our sweetheart that we dislike.

-William Butler Yeats



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ON THE WEB

A place dedicated to finding websites of interest to the students

<http://www.wetfeet.com>

This is a site that can help guide a student in the area of searching for the careers they are interested in. It gives descriptions of various jobs and the average starting salary for each career.

<http://www.animeondvd.com>

This website is useful to all the anime enthusiast out there who happen to own a DVD player. It

is a good guide to learning what is an is not good in DVD format. It also has links to several other anime sites that do not focus only on DVD selections.

<http://blackhistory.eb.com/>

This is The Encyclopedia Britannica's Guide to Black History web address. It contains an extensive collection of Black History facts starting from

the 1500's through the present.

<http://www.macontelegraph.com>

The source for news outside the Wesleyan community. Based on the local newspaper The Macon Telegraph.

If you have any suggestions for websites that you think would be of interest or students, e-mail them to us at pioneer@wesleyancollege.edu

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Everyone is welcome.

Spending Valentine's Day in different ways

By Isa Amaya

Valentine's Day can be celebrated in many ways. Some decide to spend Valentine's Day in a traditional way while others find a more unconventional way to spend Valentine's Day.

Most people spend Valentine's day in a traditional manner by going out to eat, watching a movie or going to the theater. Yet, there are those who chose unusual ways to spend Valentine's Day. For example, someone may serenade his girlfriend outside her window on Valentine's Day. Another example of an unconventional Valentine's Day is a couple hiking to a waterfall and then eating their lunch as they watch the water cascade down beside them.

Pioneer asked Wesleyan students what unusual ways they have spent or would like to spend Valentine's Day. Although most students replied that they have not spent Valentine's Day in an unconventional way, they also provided unconventional ways in which they would like to spend the fourteenth of February. This is how they responded:

What is the most unconventional or unusual way you have celebrated or plan to celebrate Valentine's Day?

The most unconventional way I've spent Valentines Day is spending the day with my boyfriend's best friend.

- Anonymous

My sister is going to a Japanese grill on Valentine's Day. Her boyfriend has also rented an airplane so he can take her on a

lighted tour of Dallas Texas at night.

-Connie Hargis (GK '00)

Last Valentine's Day, a good friend of mine and I had just recently (the week before) broken up with our boyfriends. So needless to say, we were not looking forward to Feb. 14. But we decided that we didn't want to waste such a great day feeling sorry for ourselves. So we planned a picnic for ourselves. We packed all different kinds of foods we loved, took a blanket with us, and went to the park. We had a blast eating our lunch, getting to just relax and talk. We played on the swing, and just

really enjoyed ourselves. I think that was the best Valentine's Day I ever had!

- Anonymous

If you have never celebrated Valentine's Day in an unconventional way, What unusual way would you like to spend Valentine's Day? An unusual way that I would like to spend Valentine's Day is with someone special in a big air balloon in the shape of a heart flying over a city, tossing chocolate covered assorted candies.

-Laretha Lockhart (Pirate '01)

I would like to take my significant other out and then top of the day or night by pulling the petals of a red rose off one by one and counting the ways I love them. Then I would give them a matching set of 'promise rings' (one for me and one for them) and ask them to vow to be with me (like a pre-engagement ring).

- Danielle Brinson (PK '02)

I would like to celebrate my Valentine's Day in Louisiana at

Marti Gras. I want my boyfriend to dress up as a heart and sing love songs to me all day!

- Anonymous

I would like to go to a lighthouse in Savannah and have a picnic on the outlook.

- April Austin (PK '02)

I would love my first Valentine's ever to be unconventional. It would be so cool to watch horror movies so I could cuddle with my sweetheart all night.

- Lauren Haney (GH '03)

(weather permitting...and if I actually had a man) I think I would like to ride the kind of roller coaster where your feet dangle, barefoot, holding hands...how cute.

- Jody Swink (PK '02)

Both Cameron and I are writers and there is nothing more passionate than something written with true emotion. Over the last holiday break, I wrote a 'book' for Cameron explaining my previous relationships and what I would like out of our current relationship then I read it to him when he returned to Macon. He responded by writing a 'book' of his own that I have yet to receive the honor of reading or having read to me. For this Valentine's Day, I want nothing more than to hear his own version of the book to me.

-Starr Pryor (PK '02)

Regardless of how one spends Valentine's Day, it is a day to celebrate with the ones you love. Hopefully the ideas of these Wesleyan students will help you in your search for the perfect way to spend Valentine's Day.

Book Nook

Sandlin's *Sex and Sunsets*

By Libby Garrett

Kelly Palamino is the lovelorn loser in Tim Sandlin's *Sex and Sunsets*. After a bitter divorce, he begins to hear voices in running water, continues his job as a dishwasher, and tries to contemplate life. However, upon seeing Colette punt a football in her wedding dress, Kelly crashes the reception and tries to convince Colette she's with the wrong man. When she doesn't drop her husband for him, Kelly goes to great lengths to get her attention, including hang-gliding over her family's ranch and sending her flowers on her honeymoon. He

also battles with her overbearing in-laws, his overbearing family, and his ex-wife's denial of his marriage to her, all while consulting his trusted psychiatrist Lizabeth. When Colette's father-in-law runs him out of town, he has the choice to leave Colette or stay with her and risk imprisonment. As in the genre of all of Tim Sandlin's writings, the ending is surprising.

Other suggested readings by Tim Sandlin:

Skipped Parts

Sorrow Floats

Social Blunders

Western Swing

Like our new look? Absolutely Hate it?

Let us know by emailing your comments, thoughts and suggestions to The Pioneer at pioneer@wesleyancollege.edu. We will be accepting all letters to the editor, editorials and article submissions for the March issue until March 3, 2001.

Here, there, everywhere

Community announcements

Submitted by Amber Peavy

STUNT IS HERE!

As we all probably know by now, STUNT is on its way. The STUNT reading, held February 11 at 10:00 in Porter Auditorium, marked the beginning of the rehearsal period, with production dates set for March 1, 2, and 3.

Wesleyan technical guru and director of Wesleyan's recently performed *Three Musketeers*, Michael McKinney acted as de facto advisor for STUNT for several years. Now an official member of the faculty advisory committee for STUNT, McKinney seems happy to be involved with our yearly battle between the classes, and recently told me that he feels that one important aspect of STUNT is that "it gives amateurs an appreciation for what we [thespians] do."

We all have our own reasons for loving STUNT; the sense of good, clean competition, the bonding in long hours of hard rehearsal (and all-night paint sessions), and particularly the spirit of sisterhood are just a few of the benefits we reap from STUNT. Good luck to all of the classes, and remember to HAVE FUN!

REVENGE OF THE STUDENT DIRECTORS

Those dedicated theatre minors are at it again, and back this semester with four more very promising shows. Auditions are upcoming, and the shows we have to look forward to include *Wiley and the Hairy Man* by Susan Zeder (directed by junior Amber Peavy), *The Yellow Boat* by David Saar (junior Matilda Smith), *Medusa's Tale* by Carol S. Lashof (junior Jennifer Calhoun), and *Boy Meets Girl* by Wendy Wasserstein (junior LaRhanda McTizic). The two former pieces are children's shows, and we look forward to the products of all our young actors and directors.

OTHER AREA EVENTS

• "How Things Work" — Museum of Arts and Science. An interactive exhibit that explains the science and technology of everyday things. Runs through April 30.

• Friends of the Library 33rd Annual Booksale - Central City Park. More than 100,000 volumes of all genres will be for sale, and all proceeds benefit Macon's Public Library. Feb. 22-23, 10 A.M.-7 P.M. and Feb. 24, 10 A.M.-5 P.M.

• *My Sweet Valentine* — Douglass Theatre. Featuring Middle Georgia's jazz, blues, poetry, etc. Feb. 14, 7:30 P.M. \$10.50 in advance, \$12.50 at door. Contact Don Pitts: 738-4100.

• *I Do I Do* — Macon Little Theatre. Feb. 9-10, 8 P.M.; Feb. 11, 2:30 P.M.; Feb. 13-17, 8 P.M. \$10 students, \$13 senior citizens, \$15 adults. 477-3342.

• *Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds* — Mercer University, Backdoor Theatre. Feb. 12-17, 7:30 P.M. and Feb. 18, 2 P.M. \$7 general admission. 301-5470.

• *The Music Man* — Macon Little Theatre. The classic musical. Feb. 18, 2 P.M. & 7:30 P.M. and Feb. 19, 7:30 P.M. 477-3342.

• Auditions for *Mame* — Theatre Macon. Approximately 25 roles for ages 18 & up. Be prepared to dance and sing (bring your own sheet music). Feb. 18-19, 7:30 P.M. 746-9485.

Three Musketeers takes on a life of it's own

By Virginia Dicken

Porter Auditorium came alive this weekend with the classic tale of loyalty, *The Three Musketeers*. The children's play was performed by an all-female cast although the majority of the roles are male characters. The actresses did a wonderful job of standing, walking, talking, and fighting as convincing men. The few who played female characters made the others even more believable by exaggerating their role of "damsels in distress."

The audience and the cast both consisted of a wide variety of people. Several visitors came to Wesleyan to see the production including a group of children from Aunt Maggie's Kitchen Table. The cast was comprised of former Wesleyan students, current students, familiar faces on our stage, and those who were making their Wesleyan debut.



Heatherly Darnell '00 and Tiffany Noel '00 return to Wesleyan to play the roles of King and Queen in Brian Way's adaptation of *The Three Musketeers*.

Apart from the usual difficulties of producing a play and having women play men, *The Three Musketeers* faced an unexpected challenge on Friday night when Matilda Smith, "Porthos," had a horseback riding accident and was unable to perform. Stage-

manager Sarah Chandler stepped into the role, using a script necessary. Her last-minute performance was impressive, complete with sword-fights. However, everyone was happy to have Matilda back on stage for the performance on Saturday.

Outside Wesleyan

Local, National and International News

Submitted by LaTonia Clay

Local:

Georgia to Launch \$6 Million Anti-Tobacco Campaign

Georgia is making plans to attack tobacco producers in a \$6 million anti-tobacco campaign. The state has been criticized for not spending enough money to combat tobacco use, particularly among teens. The money for the campaign is coming from a settlement secured by 46 other states in a deal with the tobacco industry. The 1998 agreement requires tobacco-product manufacturers to pay the states \$206 billion during the next 25 years, with \$201 million coming to Georgia alone. In January, the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids reported that few states reached the minimum funding level required by the Centers for Disease Control, located in Atlanta. This organization had declared the "minimum level" for prevention efforts to be \$42.5 million. Georgia contributed approximately \$15.8 million for prevention efforts. Of the \$15.8 million, about \$6 million will go toward a statewide media campaign.

National:

Bush Plans to Cut Taxes

President Bush announced his plan to cut back on taxes, saying that he would like for the tax cuts to kick in immediately to help pump cash back into the slowing economy. To illustrate his plan, Bush brought in three families to show that the benefit of tax cuts would spread broadly and equitably across the income spectrum. Bush claimed that the tax cuts "doesn't single out some Americans for relief while leaving others out...it's tax relief for everybody who pays taxes." Democrats in Congress immediately attacked the proposal, saying that the cuts are too big and that its benefits are skewed toward the wealthy.

International:

Planned Terrorist Activities Against the U. S.

Osama bin Laden and other Muslim extremists are using the Internet to plan terrorist activities against the U.S. and its allies. Weeks of interviews of U. S. law enforcement officials disclosed how the terrorists hide maps and photographs of terrorist targets in sports chat rooms, on pornographic bulletin boards, and on other popular Web sites. Instructions for terrorist activities are also posted on the sites. The messages are scrambled, using free encryption programs set up by groups that advocate privacy on the Internet. The details of future targets, in many cases, are hidden in plain view on the Internet. Only the members of the terrorist organizations, knowing the hidden signals, can extract the information.

Spirit and STUNT cup winners are...

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Annual Fitness Challenge begins

By Virginia Dicken

Welcome to the Fitness Challenge 2001! Throughout the month of March, the Student Recreation Council will be hosting activities to encourage Wesleyan students to get out of their rooms and into shape. From nature walks to kickball games, the variety of events planned should provide something for everyone.

To participate in the Fitness Challenge, students request a tracking sheet packet from any RC member. Each student sets a personal goal based on how many hours she plans to spend in physical activity each week. She then keeps track of all of her fitness activities for the month, whether they are done at the Matthew's Fitness Center, through an organized Fitness Challenge event, or individually. Those who participate in sports get extra points for that commitment. Students can also write a paper to earn bonus points at the end of the Fitness Challenge.

Stacey Burton, president of SRC, says "I believe people enjoy participating in the Fitness Challenge because it motivates them to improve themselves, but it doesn't pressure them since they are challenging themselves. It is also a fun way to work towards a healthier lifestyle with the many different types of activities being offered."

Last year, around 100 students participated in Fitness Challenge 2000. So far, about 75 students have signed up for this year's challenge. The four sister classes compete to see which one can earn the most combined points, and the PKs are the reigning champions. To help your class earn points during Fitness Challenge 2001, email SRC and sign up!



After three long weeks of paint sessions, rehearsals, dancing, singing and cheering STUNT has finally come to an end. Finally, when all was said the Purple Knight class of 2002 stood onstage as the winners of the 105th Stunt cup. The Green Knight class took the stage as well as the winners of the STUNT Spirit Cup. For more pictures see pages 4-5.

March is National Women's Month

promotes women taking control of their health

By Virginia Dicken

Women have unique concerns about their physical and mental health. Eating disorders, depression, menstrual concerns, and breast cancer are just a few of the health issues that Wesleyan students may face. March 8th is International Women's Day, the cornerstone of Women's History Month. March is also Cancer Awareness Month and National Nutrition Month. This seems to be an appropriate time to look at the health concerns of women on our campus.

Mental Health

Tamara Martin is the director of Counseling at Wesleyan College. She counsels students with a variety of concerns ranging from relationship problems to body image issues. Although the majority of students who visit Tamara are dealing with troublesome relationships, depression and eating disorders are also common. In fact, depression accounts for 20% of the visits to the counseling center, and eating disorders account for 8%. Both of these problems are important issues in women's health.

Women are at least twice as likely as men to experience depression. This may be due to biological factors or societal pressures. Of course, the transition to

college brings several new stressors into a woman's life, and Tamara attributes a lot of the cases of depression on campus to this. According to Tamara, a recent study has also shown smoking cigarettes to be a possible cause of depression.

Body-image and eating disorders are other mental health issues that mostly affect women. Tamara Martin sees students with eating disorders frequently. Unlike depression, eating disorders often begin before a woman arrives at college. In fact, Tamara has only counseled one student that began her eating disorder after arriving at Wesleyan. It often takes a woman five years to recognize that she has an eating problem and seek treatment for it.

A less-common, but very serious mental health concern found at Wesleyan College is self-mutilation. Of the 2 million people in the United States that purposefully injure themselves, 70% are women between the ages of 11 and 26. This may be because self-mutilation is often linked to depression and poor body-image.

Physical Health

Nettie Baker is the director of Health Services at Wesleyan College. Many students have used the Health Center for aller-

gies, upper respiratory infections, colds, and related problems. They often do not realize, however, that the Health Center offers other essential (and often free) services to the women of Wesleyan College. Pelvic exams, STD testing, and information about breast self examinations are all available from Nettie or Dr. McCleskey, who visits twice a week. All of these can be done confidentially, and the only cost to students is lab testing fees, which are often covered by insurance plans.

Wesleyan students often neglect to take proper care of themselves. When Nettie asks a student if she performs breast self-examinations, the answer is most often "No." The Health Center can be used as a resource for health information. The Health Center has a collection of brochures and pamphlets about common health concerns for women, including STDs and breast cancer. A student can also receive information and advice on nutrition and weight management. Dr. McCleskey is available to speak with students about their questions and concerns, even if the student is perfectly healthy at the time.

One health issue that many Wesleyan students face is painful

menstrual cycles. Nettie Baker points out that the Health Center can often help diagnose and treat these problems. Because the campus physician, Dr. McCleskey, is female and familiar, students might feel more comfortable talking to her before seeing an unfamiliar specialist. If a specialist is needed, however, Nettie can help set up an appointment with a local doctor.

Staying Healthy

Both Nettie Baker and Tamara Martin are committed to keeping Wesleyan women healthy. To encourage mental health, Tamara recommends that students seek out support systems of family and friends. She hopes that students will accept the fact that "everyone experiences successes and failures... That's just part of life!"

Nettie would like to see more students practicing preventative health measures. Students can be screened for such problems as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes at any time by simply visiting Nettie. Pelvic exams and STD tests can be done on campus at the Health Center. Concerns and questions can often be answered by email or phone, and Nettie welcomes students to keep in touch with her in these ways.

Random thoughts from the Editor Part 2

Spring break is coming up soon. While that is no mystery to anyone here, it sometimes is baffling exactly what you will do.

Many people are thinking, "well I know what I am going to do...PARTY!" Others may be thinking, I'm going to sit back, relax and stop thinking. While either one of these can be good, they both have there downfalls.

First, when you party too much, you take yourself out of your study habits. Can't you just imagine it? You spend a whole week hanging out with friends, old and new, staying up super late (or all night) and of course having that occasional drink or two. Well that may not wear you out in a week, but when you get back to school, you sure won't feel rested.

On the other extreme you can do nothing but rest. In this state of being you are asleep, a majority of your day. When you are not asleep you are mostly likely looking for something to eat. And when both of these fail you, your lying on a couch, watching television, hoping that you will fall back asleep.

Unfortunately this state of being doesn't work either. You end up being "too rested." When you are too rested, you feel icky. Yes, I said icky. In fact, being well rested and, well basically, a lazy

bum will leave you feeling the same as if you haven't had any sleep in three days.

When you are too well rested, you think about nothing more than going back to sleep. Your body starts to feel sluggish; your mind doesn't want to operate. Could you imagine coming back to school with that type of attitude?

Well, the point of these seemingly random comments is that you have to create balance. Balance is an essential life force. Just as you should balance your school and your social life, you must also balance your rest and activity periods. In the same way you must balance your food to eat, you should also balance your loves and hates. In the same way we learn to balance our friends and enemies, we must learn to also balance our aggressiveness and passiveness.

Many of you may not believe this is true, and quite frankly you don't have to. But take a close look around you. Look at the very Wesleyan that you will someday leave. There has been a lot of issues and controversy here. If you think a little closer, you will see that there is a lack of balance somewhere. Just like losing your sense of equilibrium; without balance there is no peace, there is no solid ground to stand on.

Progressive Poetry:

untitled

By Isa Amaya

Stop!

Bird in a cage
- Trapped.

The lion pulls her close.

In her mind,
the screaming won't stop.

The lion grabs her.

She fights back.

"Stop!"
but he continues.

Deer trapped in the headlights.

Her mind wanders
into a place
by a waterfall.

Bird in a cage
- Trapped.

The horror continues.

In her mind,
the waterfall screams
as it flows into the river.

"Stop", it cries,
but no one hears.

Bird in a cage
- trapped.

The horror is over
but the screaming continues
in her mind.

The walls are put up.
Her freedom has ended
like a bird trapped in a cage.

She is imprisoned
by the fear,
waiting to be set free.

Arkansas presents:

50 ways to procrastinate

1. Trim your nails.
2. Check out all the tests at Emode.com. Again.
3. Wander through areas of campus still under construction and steal yellow caution tape.
4. Chat on AIM. Lose all track of time.
5. Raid your food stash.
6. Jump on your bed.
7. Do laundry. Go door to door begging for the last 3 quarters you need to finish.
8. Visit Kroger. Make the barnyard sounds in the egg and milk aisles go off over and over again.
9. Do dishes.
10. Visit Eckerd's. Hug all the teddybears in the card aisle.
11. Watch reruns of Full House. Pretend they're good.
12. Pick at the holes in your socks.
13. Raid your roommate's food stash.
14. Sign up for online dating services under a false name and goofy profile.
15. Consider organizing your closet.
16. Slide down the banisters in the stairwells.
17. Watch MTV. Try to figure out where the music videos have gone.
18. Visit Steak'n'Shake.
19. Mend the holes in your socks.
20. Throw shoes at the roach wandering across your ceiling.
21. Visit your profile on the online dating services and wonder why no one's contacted you.
22. Watch Cartoon Network and wonder how you ever thought the Thundercats were cool.
23. Decide to organize your closet.
24. Attempt to steal a shopping cart from the Kroger parking lot.
25. Visit the Waffle House. Play the Janis Joplin song on the jukebox.
26. Read all the magazines in the rack at Eckerd's.
27. Wander down your hallway half dressed. (It's fun, I promise.)
28. Watch a Men's Hair Club infomercial and try to figure out what it is.
29. Open up your closet door. Slam it shut again

before everything falls out.

30. Empty out your trashcans.

31. Expand a marshmallow in the microwave. Laugh insanely.

32. Have a trucker at Waffle House yell at you playing the Janis Joplin song over and over....

33. Wander out onto the dorm porch half dressed. Flash people.

34. Lock your closet door and decide you really want any of the stuff in there anyway.

35. Visit random online sites. Raid MP3s.

36. Leave random messages on every phone in your hall.

37. Attempt to find out what foods explode in the microwave. Use a Dr. Evil accent while using the microwave.

38. Create a Post-It Note outfit.

39. Have the Waffle House jukebox play a song on you. Get kicked out of Waffle House.

40. Watch CMTV and sing along through your nose. Have the people on your hall throw you through the window.

41. Finish off the last bit of your roommate's food stash. Begin to panic.

42. Type in random words into search engines and see what sites pop up. Visit them all.

43. Have 6 AIM conversations going at once. Get confused and type wrong messages into wrong windows.

44. Leave random messages on every phone in your dorm.

45. Notice your roommate's been missing for several hours. Send out frantic Sisterhood search parties.

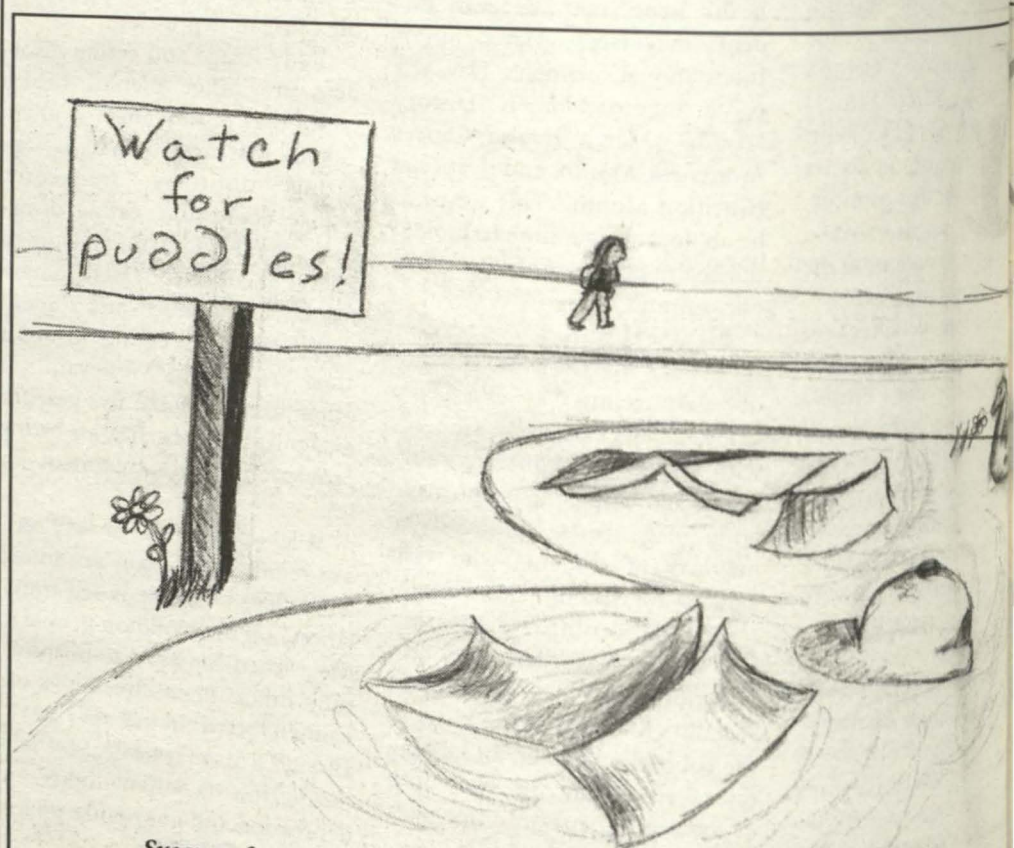
46. Paint your toenails neon orange.

47. Decide to wear your Post-It Note outfit in class tomorrow.

48. Send out search party for your roommate. Comb the woods.

49. Visit Denny's. Put 15 sugars and 4 pumps of your coffee to make it drinkable. Talk loudly so the waitress ignore you.

50. Slap your forehead, run home, and tell your roommate out of your closet.



Susan unfortunately misjudged the depth of the puddles in cutting across the grass.

Websites for students

Continuing in the effort to bring students websites of interest, here are some sites.

www.adcritic.com

This website has several commercials that wouldn't or couldn't be on the television.

www.ebay.com

An increasingly popular website, people buy and sell merchandise over the Internet. Buyers pay nothing, sellers pay a percentage of the price to the company that runs ebay.

www.women.com

A website dedicated to addressing topics of interest to women regardless of race, color or beliefs.

www.nwhp.org

This is the website for the National Women's history project, recognizing and Celebrating Women's Accomplishments."

www.womens-health.com/

An interactive website on "Empowering Women through Knowledge and Action."

www.hoaxkill.com

www.nonprofit.net/hoax/

hoaxbusters.ciac.org/

These websites are geared toward reducing the amount of hoaxes on the Internet. If you receive talk of a new virus, get a chain letter or read an Internet legend, check these sites before you began mass forwarding.

Top ten places to go for spring break

By Isa Amaya

Wondering what to do for spring break? Don't want to stay home?

Well, there are several places you can go. Spring is in the air. The flowers are beginning to bloom, the sun is warming up the day and spring break is coming so pack up your bags and go to one of the following locations.

- 1) Cancun, Mexico
- 2) Puerto Vallarte, Mexico
- 3) Panama City, Florida
- 4) Jamaica
- 5) Hawaii
- 6) Bahamas
- 7) Acapulco, Mexico
- 8) Daytona Beach, Florida
- 9) Miami, Florida
- 10) Tampa, Florida

Other places that are frequented by college students on spring break are South Padre, Mexico, Virginia Beach, Virginia, New Orleans, Louisiana, and Mazatlan, Mexico. If you would like more information on hotels and special travel packages go to www.springbreak.com.

However, if money is low you could always go on hiking trips. There are many places in Georgia to go hiking. There are also cities in Georgia including Helen and Savannah that are frequented by many visitors. Another possibility is looking in Creative Loafing, a free magazine published weekly, to find places to go in Atlanta by looking at the articles and listings of events going on in the city. These listings also include information on dance clubs, gallery openings, and concerts. A fourth possibility is taking a trip to Hilton Head where you can lay on the beach and relax.

Where ever you decide to go, be safe and have fun. Bon Voyage.

Outside Wesleyan Local, National and International News

Submitted by LaTonia Clay

Local

Extra Money for Georgia Schools

Bush has called for an increase of more than 10 percent in federal school funding, including extra money for reading programs, and has promised to hold schools accountable for success. Thus, education would get the largest percentage increase of any priority under this first federal budget plan. However, Georgia state officials say they do not know exactly how much Georgia schools will get or how it will be used, because federal funding provides less than 10 percent of the \$10 billion to \$11 billion that Georgia schools spend on K-12 education each year. However, the officials are still satisfied with Bush's plan because under the proposal, states would have more ability to decide how federal aid is spent, rather than having Washington dictate its uses.

National

American Hostages Released

Three oil workers held hostage in the jungles of Ecuador returned home to Oregon after five months in captivity. The hostages left Quito, Ecuador's capital, by private plane after undergoing medical examinations. They were among 10 people abducted at gunpoint on October 12 from an oil field in the Pompey, a jungle region about 45 miles south of the border with Colombia. The hostages included five Americans, a New Zealander, two French men, a Chilean and an Argentine. The kidnappers were believed to have been professional kidnappers from Colombia, Ecuador's northern neighbor. They killed one American in order to pressure his employer to pay a ransom. It is uncertain whether a ransom was ever paid, but Ecuador's government has raised concerns that any ransom payment would encourage other kidnappings in the country's northern border region.

International

Bush Aids Salvadorans

El Salvador has suffered two major earthquakes in the past two months, one on January 13 and another on February 13. The quakes devastated the country, leaving significant proportions of the population homeless and causing damage estimated to range into the billions of dollars.

To aid the Salvadorans, President Bush pledged \$52 million in reconstruction assistance for this year and expects to match it next year. He also granted Salvadorans 18 months of relief from deportation, allowing them to continue to work and send money home to their earthquake-shattered country regardless of their residency status. Among those affected by the move are about 1,100 Salvadorans currently in Immigration and Naturalization Service custody, awaiting repatriation. In defending the position that he has taken, Bush said, "the recent earthquake in Washington State brings home to the citizens of our nation how natural disaster can strike any of us. And it reminds us of our obligation to reach out to help those in other nations struggling in the wake of disaster to rebuild their homes and lives."

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Who's Who: St. Patrick

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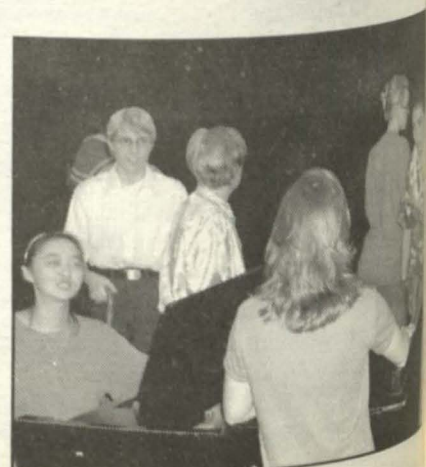
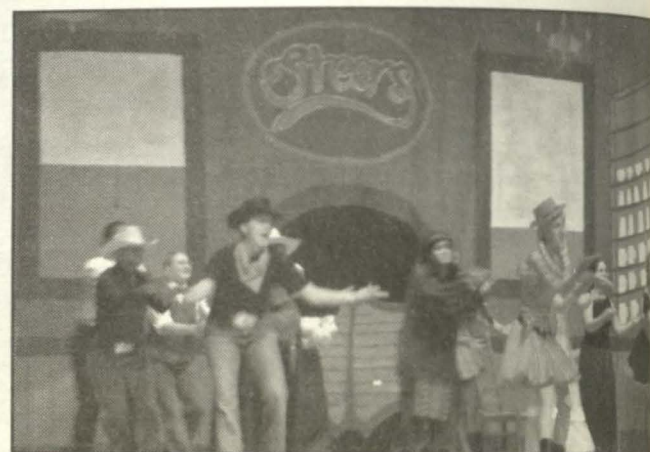
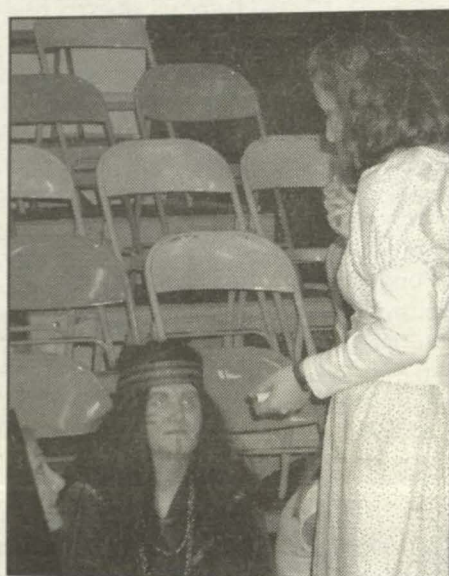
St. Patrick's Day is the traditional Irish holiday celebrated year-round, worldwide on March 17th. St. Patrick is the patron saint and natural apostle of Ireland, born in the late fourth century. Most of what is known about him comes from his two works, the Confessio (his autobiography) and the Epistola (a denunciation of British mistreatment of Irish Christians). St.

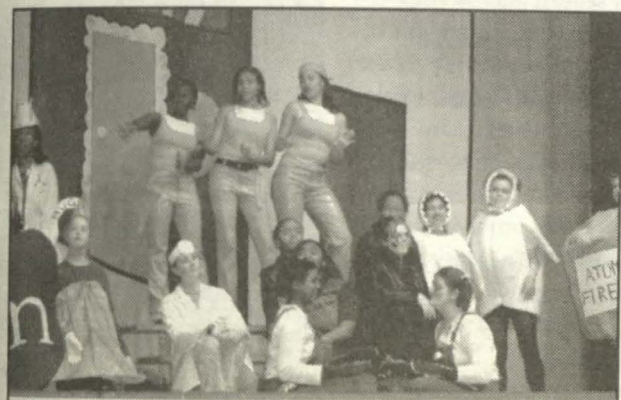
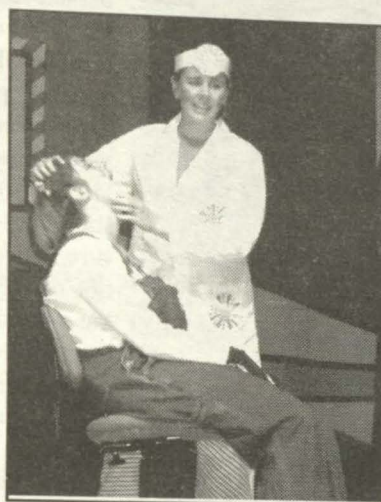
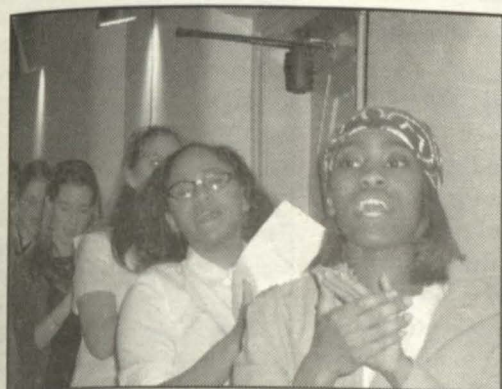
Patrick is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland. He encountered the Druids at Tara and defeated them. By defeating them, he abolished their Pagan rights. He converted the warrior chiefs and princes, baptizing them and thousands of their subjects.

There are several accounts of St. Patrick's death. One says that St. Patrick died at Saul, Down Patrick, Ireland, on March 17, 460 A.D. His jawbone was preserved in a silver shrine and was often

requested in times of childbirth, epileptic fits, and as a preservative against the evil eye. Another account says that St. Patrick ended his days at Glastonbury, England and was buried there. The Chapel of St. Patrick still exists as part of Glastonbury Abbey. Today, many Catholic places of worship all around the world are named after St. Patrick, including cathedrals in New York City, Dublin, Ireland, Toowoomba, Queensland, and Australia.

105 years of STUNT...





and still going strong!

Pioneers ahead by leading from behind

By Starr M. Pryor

"I'm a twelve-month basketball player," is probably the most serious statement Jennifer McKeithan managed during the entire interview. Her jaw line squared and her eyes shadowed. One could flashback to over twenty games this past season in which McKeithan displayed this same determined look. In keeping one cautious eye on every player and another on the coaches and referees, she chants, "I can't mess up. My team needs me. What can I do to help my team?" In a constant alert mode, this first year point guard surveys the court, noting who is on and who is not and studying the other team's defense strategies.

McKeithan, affectionately called Tigga by those Wesleyanians who have discovered her silly side, has been playing basketball since third grade, probably under the sunny skies of Palm Beach, Florida where she originates from. Tigga believes that being a team player means putting the team before you. This is very important because it is so difficult to win without being a team player. The Pioneer final record included 12 wins and 12 losses with two of those losses coming in overtime games and a history of others being almost as tough, hard-played games. The team finished with a scoring average of 75.7 points per game, up from 49.7 points per game only last year. The Pioneers ranked as the 18th highest scoring team in the nation for Division III schools. Coach William Carter comments, "What a difference a



On guard during the course of a game

year makes."

And what a difference this year's team has made. E'Lisa Ladson finished fourth in the nation in scoring with 25.8 points per game, second in three-pointers at 3.9 points per game, and sixteenth in steals with 4.1 per game and 94 total. Ladson has had her share of limelight, being nominated for the Kodak All-American Award and earning MVP of the Agness Scott Tip-off Tournament. Both she and Chanel Thomas, who led the team with 182 rebounds, played on the All-tournament Team of Women's Colleges Tournament. Thomas is second on the team in scoring 12.1 points per game. Jessica Smith, Arletha Williams, Aliscia Pitts, Teira Wallace, Yonella Vargas, and Marlisa Lewis, along with several others

players who could not complete the season, contributed to Wesleyan's remarkable year. The Pioneers had the third highest shooting percentage for a single game with a 30 for 45 shooting game. Tigga finished with 9.7 average points per game (a solid 10 is impressive for a point guard) and led the team with 5.3 on average assists and 85 total.

Fans have made a difference, too. Tigga was surprised to learn that audience member numbers shot up this season. "I feel good because they are paying attention to the game," she smiles. Number 32 believes her greatest strength lies in her ability to control the ball. She boasts of her skillful dribbling and complete passes. However, Tigga is the first to admit that her defense is not where she wants it. "Free throws

are fine, but defense wins the

game," Tigga added. She watches video cassettes, which are "street" basketball tapes and shoots endless shots outside of games. The Pioneers have had many challenging games this semester. Tigga jokes that she is too hard on herself in these tough situations. She is not ashamed to admit that she cries when she loses composure. The audience probably will not notice, however, because she has developed a strange defense mechanism. "I make myself get the big head," Tigga says, "Boost myself up like these girls can't take me!"

The Pioneer basketball team has accomplished many goals this 2000-2001 season and set impressive records. It is important to remember the value of team work. No one player defines the Wesleyan basketball team and this is undoubtedly a huge part of their success. Toni Hedge, sophomore, defines the phrase "leading from behind" as "accepting and requesting support from the team." Leading from behind means a lot to Tigga. "The fact is that the person who is really leading is going to need some help too."



Calling the plays on court

BENCH COACHES

The 2000-2001 basketball season has ended, leaving behind memories of "Foul!" screamed at referees and pairs of hands desperately signaling for time out. Coaches William Carter and Gavin Holton are not the culprits, the other coaches are. Here are a few words from our bench coaches.

"Don't get too excited. When you're dribbling down the court, continue to think about your next move."

-Bench Coach Anonymous

"In their beginning winning streak, they were all getting along, but they went through a period where they lost two games out of state because they couldn't get over the gossip."

-Bench Coach Mercedes Shuler

"You got to be aggressive. Make the other team work for the ball."

-Bench Coach

Cleveland Robinson

"You can't show anger on the court. When you get mad, you can't focus and you make mistakes."

-Bench Coach Alicia Ogletree

"They're good at their shooting ability and at turnovers. They get along good. They're real close."

-Bench Coach Starlette Brown

"They got good scores and good ball handlers. They just need to work on their defense."

-Bench Coach Mike Carswell

Wesleyan's Running Club competes in marathons

By Jywanya Smith

On January 7, 2001, three members of the Wesleyan College Running Club, Alison Justus, Jywanya Smith, and Rebecca Williams, along with running coaches Elizabeth Jones and Dr. Tom Jones, traveled to Orlando, Florida to participate in the Walt Disney World(r) Half and Full Marathons. This is the first time that any of the girls have ever competed in such an event. The marathon consisted of a 13.1 mile run and a 26.2 mile run through each of the amusement parks. The participants had been training since spring semester 2000 and were very excited to see their dream finally become a reality.

Much thanks to the support of the Macon Tracks Running Club

for allowing them to train alongside many experienced runners, as well as a big thanks to Wesleyan College Student Government Association for providing the funds to allow them to travel to Florida.

Rebecca Williams, senior runner, states, "it was really gratifying to be surrounded by so many people who are so dedicated and driven to accomplish such an impressive goal."

The girls would also like to acknowledge Megan Bryant and Asha Smith who had to withdraw from the race due to timing and injury. Both women are also very dedicated runners. The goal of the Wesleyan Running Club is to continue to encourage Wesleyan women to attain such athletic goals.

2001 Softball Schedule

MARCH 7	SCAD	AWAY	6PM
MARCH 9	AGNES SCOTT	AWAY	5PM
MARCH 13	GREENSBORO	AWAY	TBA
MARCH 21	LAGRANGE COLLEGE	HOME	2PM
MARCH 23	PIEDMONT	AWAY	3PM
MARCH 24	JUDSON	HOME	1PM
MARCH 31	AGNES SCOTT	HOME	1PM
APRIL 1	SCAD	HOME	1PM
APRIL 7	CLEARWATER CHRISTIAN	HOME	TBA
APRIL 8	EMMANUEL	HOME	TBA
APRIL 10	JUDSON	AWAY	1PM
APRIL 13	EMORY	AWAY	4PM
APRIL 17	HUNTINGTON	HOME	TBA
APRIL 19	LAGRANGE COLLEGE	AWAY	1PM
APRIL 21	SALEM	AWAY	1PM
APRIL 22	RANDOLPH MACON	AWAY	1PM

Mathews Fitness Center Hours of Operation

Monday- Friday 7am- 9pm
Sat 9am-6pm
Sun 12pm-6pm

Pool Hours

Monday- Friday 7am-9am
Monday-Thursday 5:30 PM- 7PM
Saturday 2pm-5pm

Community Service Opportunities

Alzheimer's Association, Central Georgia Chapter
746-7050
277 Martin Luther King Blvd.
Suite 201
Macon, Ga 31201

Association for Retarded Citizens, Macon
477-7764
"The Arc"
4664 Sheraton Drive
Macon, GA 31210

Big Brothers, Big Sisters
745-3984
277 Martin Luther King Blvd.
West
Macon, GA 31210

Booker T. Washington Community Center
742-7431
391 Monroe Street
Macon, GA 31210

Boys & Girls Club of Central GA
743-3415
1418 Second Street
Macon, GA 31210

Center for Children and Education
750-1007
780 Baconsfield Drive
Building 3 Suite 224
Macon, GA 31210

Central Georgia Council of Family Violence
755-1088
830 Mulberry Street
Macon, GA 31210

Communities in Schools of Georgia, Inc.
746-4444
653 Second Street
Macon, GA 31210

Family Self Sufficiency
2429 D Street
Macon, GA 31210

Goodwill Industries
746-7647
688 Walnut Street
Macon, GA 31210

Habitat for Humanity
784-6800
3225 A Rice Mill Road
Macon, GA 31206

Hephzibah Children's Home
477-3383
6601 Zebulon Road
Macon, GA 31210

Loaves and Fishes Ministry
741-1007
651 Broadway
Macon, GA 31210

Macon Council Telephone
Pioneers of America
788-2121
16750 Eisenhower Pkwy
Macon, GA 31210

Make-A-Wish Foundation
755-8450
382 Rogers Avenue
Macon, GA 31210

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation
743-9165
Middle Georgia Division
870 Lee Road
Macon, GA 31210

Middle Georgia Community Food Bank
742-3958
137 College Street
Macon, GA 31210

Middle Georgia Council on Drugs, Inc.
743-4611
841 Forsyth Rd.
Macon, GA 31210

Monroe County Neighborhood Service Center
994-6061
7 North Lee Street
Macon, GA 31210

Mosley Ruth Hartley Women's Center
742-6409
626 Spring Street
Macon, GA 31210

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church
743-8026
719 Mulberry Street
Macon, GA 31210

South Macon Neighborhood Outreach
-784-7800
4150 Roy Avenue
Macon, GA 31210

United Cerebral Palsy of Macon and Middle Georgia
477-4673
2990 Crestline Drive
Macon, GA 31210

Volunteer Macon, Inc
742-6677
2484 Ingleside Avenue
Macon, GA 31210
Gigi Rolfes, Executive Director
Amy Davidson, worked on Pioneer Wesleyan with Tracy Porter

New Student Shuttle for Spring Semester

On the recommendation of the SGA Transportation Committee, SGA, Physical Plant, and Student Affairs are starting a student shuttle that will run until the end of this semester. Three times per week, a shuttle will take Wesleyan students to locations around Macon. The shuttle will start tomorrow and continue every week until May 2. The shuttle will run during Spring Break for students still on campus. This is a trial program started with the hope that a strong student response will allow us to expand the shuttle in the future.

The van will visit different "zones" during Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Students will be picked up by the Loggia at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. and returned to Wesleyan by 10 p.m. Pick up times for return trips from the Mall will be at 9 p.m. and Zebulon/Tom Hill/Mercer pickups will be around 9:30 p.m.

These zones are outlined below:

Zone 1: Downtown area and Mercer University

Zone 2: Tom Hill Sr. area (includes Barnes and Noble, Publix, Kmart, Kroger, movie theatre and a large selection of restaurants).

Zone 3: Zebulon Rd area (includes several restaurants, Lowes, Kroger, movie theatre, Blockbuster Video)

Zone 4: Wal-Mart and Colonial Mall Macon

Wednesday

Downtown/Mercer
Tom Hill Sr.

Friday

Zebulon Road
Wal-Mart, Mall

Saturday

Tom Hill Sr.
Wal-Mart, Mall

In order to help defray the cost of hiring a driver and other expenses, students will be charged \$1 for a round-trip.

For faculty/staff who wish to help drive during a night, they can sign up through Student Affairs. Pay is \$10 per hour. Sorry, students are unable to drive due to insurance reasons.

Taken from an email sent by Jason Pontius

Student Activities Calendar

March

SGA Assembly 11:15 Amphitheatre

SPRING BREAK

Cherry Blossom Festival

Balloon Glow

Balloon Mass Ascension

SRC Volleyball Practice begins

Student Affairs Forum 11:15

Pirate Chick-Fil-A

SRC 5K Run/Walk

April

Expressions Spring Dance Performance

SGA Assembly 11:15

SRC Volleyball games begin

PK Bum days

CRC Easter Convo

CAB Spring Social

CAB Bandfest

Chapel 11:15

Pirate Class Meeting

PK Move-Up Banquet

Good Friday (school closed)

BSA Poetry Corner

Honors Day

Awards Day

Alumnae Weekend

SRC Alumnae Soccer Game

Pirate/Golden Heart Picnic on the Quad

Class Meetings 11:15

Last day of classes



**Georgia Partners
Educational Foundation, Inc.**

Cherry Blossom Health Fair

Saturday, March 24, 2001

Vineville United Methodist Church

2045 Vineville Avenue, Macon, Ga.

"FREE" Public Screenings are:

**Osteoporosis-Pre-screen
Prostate/Impotence
Colon Cancer Screening
Breast Health Exam Information
Skin Cancer Screenings
Diabetes Screenings
Blood Pressure Checks - Screening
Respiratory
Allergy Testing and Information
Body Fat Screening
Cholesterol Screening
Nutrition - Counseling with Dieticians
Vision
Hearing
Pediatrics/Immunization Information Booth
VA Registration Information
"Ask the Doctor" Booth - Health Questions-Referral**

A Door Prize will be awarded every hour. To be eligible for a door prize drawing, you must participate in the health fair screening. Each Door Prize is valued at \$100.00 per prize.

The Grand Prize drawing will be a "SONY Big Screen T.V." to be drawn at 3:00 P.M.



Queen Noor to speak at Wesleyan

by Synita Pryor

A member of Princeton University's first co-educational freshman class is coming to the first college chartered to grant degrees to women. Queen Noor of Jordan, class of 1974, is the honored guest speaker of Wesleyan College's 2001 Graduate Commencement Ceremony to be held May 5 at 10:00am in Porter Auditorium.

Nothing less is expected of an Ivy League alumna than the title "Her Majesty," but the queen formerly known as Lisa Najeeb Halaby is full of noteworthy accomplishments. Shortly after receiving her B.A. in Architecture and Urban Planning, Queen Noor worked in Australia, Iran, the United States, and Jordan assisting in several international urban planning and design projects. She traveled throughout the Arab nation researching aviation training facilities. Her hard work helped establish the Arab Air University in Jordan. Ultimately, she obtained the title Director of Planning and Design Projects for 'Royal Jordanian' airline.

Queen Noor's marriage to the late King Hussein lasted 21 years and added four children to the

royal family. Throughout her marriage and motherhood, Queen Noor supported mother and child health care, education, women's development, environmental protection, culture, and public architecture and planning. She is an active member of several international and United Nations organizations that address global changes in these fields.

"A few short years ago, globalization was viewed almost universally as the answer to the world's ills - at least by those doing the globalizing," Queen Noor began her speech at the 52nd Annual Non-Government Organization Conference sponsored by the Department of Public Information at the United Nations. She continued, "Newly permeable borders, wondrous technological advances and the rapid expansion of global markets would promote economic efficiency, generate growth, yield profits, and perhaps even provide



Queen Noor today

opportunity and prosperity for all the world's people. But these hopes have not materialized. According to UNDP's Human Development Report of 1999, the human development index scores of 48 countries have fallen signifi-

cantly in standard of living in the past year, including 10 out of 17 Arab nations, Jordan among them. The growing wedge between richer and poorer individuals and countries is fundamentally unfair and seriously destabilizing."

Jordan, surrounded by Israel, Syria, Iraq, and Saudi Arabia, is slightly smaller than Indiana according to the World Factbook 2000. It has inadequate supplies of water and other natural resources such as oil. The Persian Gulf Crisis, which began in August 1990, aggravated Jordan's already serious economic problems. The disturbing statistics recited by Queen Noor at this highly publicized conference are real, but she is making a continued effort to improve these conditions. She travels worldwide speaking on behalf of international exchange and understanding of Middle Eastern politics, Arab-Western relations (her parents are Arab-American) and current

global issues throughout the world. The King Hussein Foundation, chaired by Queen Noor, was established by Royal Decree in 1999 following her husband's death. The Foundation is a national and international non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to giving meaningful expression to the late King's humanitarian vision and legacy with emphasis on democracy and peace, education and leadership, environment and health.

Queen Noor is a fascinating woman. She speaks Arabic, English, and French. She enjoys skiing, water skiing, tennis, sailing, horseback riding, reading, gardening, and photography. Please visit her official website at www.noor.gov.jo.

Quotes by Queen Noor:

"Often the easiest way to overcome the enmity of previous generations is to enable the next generation, our young people, the future guardians of peace, to meet and interact in an atmosphere of trust."

"Our challenge is to create peace and justice in the new century out of the complex legacy of the old."

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New online database for elections

by LaTonia Clay

Executive elections began on Tuesday, March 27th at 10:01 am. The election process lasted 24 hours, ending on Wednesday, March 28th at 10:00 am. This year, students were able to access online ballots for voting using Explorer. The website for this procedure was locked, so that no students could access the ballots before 10 am on March 27th or after 10am on March 28th. Students could also vote using electronic ballots in the Hurdle Cafe. Voting for the general elections (representatives for the boards) began on Thursday, April 5th and ended Friday, April 6th. The results of the elections are as follows:

Executive Elections

SGA
President - Natalie Puckett
Vice President - Shelly Molleur

Secretary - Regina Wright
Treasurer - Taylor Johnson
Parliamentarian - Emily Dukes

CAB
President - Catherine O'Kelley
Vice President - Lauren Haney
Secretary - Meredith Gilbert
Treasurer - Laurie Gibson

SRC
President - Maria Williams
Vice President - Christy Johnson

Secretary - Amanda Zagloba
Treasurer - Ericka Stewart

CRC
President - Erin McGavin
Vice President - Rachael Fredriksen

Secretary - Erin Zinko
Treasurer - Theresa Tholkes

Purple Knight Class
President - Elsa George
Vice President - Andrea Clark
Secretary - Rachael Shaw
Treasurer - Alison Justus
Historian - Megan Beene

Golden Heart Class

President - Asha Smith
Vice President - Kristin Graham
Secretary - Jennifer Duello
Treasurer - Sherrie Randall

Green Knight Class

President - Jessica Spurlock
Vice President - Emily Dukes
Secretary - Joanne Patterson
Treasurer - Purvi Patel

General Elections

CJA

Chancellor - Brittany Wilson
Secretary/Treasurer - Mary Kathryn Borland
Clerk - Megan Beene

SGA Boards

Political Awareness - Stephanie Newell
Environmental Concerns - Namita Mohanty
Elections - Crystal Gail Rogers
Community Service - Dell Trussell
Communications - LaRhanda McTizic

Pioneer Editor - Amanda Zagloba

CRC Boards

Diversity Chair - Virginia Dicken

CAB Boards

Diversity Chair - Andrea Clark

Purple Knight Positions

CAB Reps: Alison Justus, Beth Williford, Ellie Coakley, Nikki Bradshaw

SGA Reps: Kris Mayrhofer, Jennifer Calhoun

CRC Reps: Rachael Shaw, Trista Dudich

SRC Reps: Trista Dudich, Kathryn Marshall

Golden Heart Positions

CAB Reps: Elaina Winter, Meara Richter, April Patterson

SGA Reps: Jennica Schenck, Kris Graham

CRC Reps: Meara Richter,

SRC Reps: Erin Ewald, Holly McMillian



Megan Beene was recently elected as the PK Historian.

CJA Reps: Danielle White, Regina Wright

Green Knight Positions

CAB Reps: Laura Knox, Jodi Miller, Amanda Wood, Brandi Fryer

SGA Reps: Mary Kathryn Borland

CRC Reps: Monica Harper

SRC Reps: Erin Zinko, Sheree Sharpe, Jessica Bennett

CJA Reps: Catherine McGinnis, Dell Trussell

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The Forum

Student voice heard all around WesleyWorld

The Forum was started in order to give more voice to the students of Wesleyan. Your newspaper is the valuable tool needed to start making yourself known. If you or anyone you know of has something they want to say, let us know. E-mail (Pioneer@wesleyancollege.edu), snail mail (Box 8860), or talk to the Pioneer staff members with any suggestions, article ideas, editorials, comics, photos, or anything else you want to see presented in The Forum or The Pioneer at large. This is your chance to express your ideas and opinions to the campus at large. Do not let this chance pass you by!

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Arkansas presents... The art of trailer trash

by Rachel Garman

For Betsy

Being a true trailer trash queen is something every female needs to know, just in case Prince Charming does turn out to be a frog or that liberal arts education doesn't pan out. Or just in case you can't pay off all those debts incurred by outrageously priced dorms and cafeteria food (the tuition was lowered, remember?) right after college and end up bankrupt for the rest of your life.

First, get one double-wide trailer at the end of a dirt road. Decorate the un-mowed yard with pink flamingoes, fake ducks, one giant cement frog with lipstick painted on, and a beat up Ford truck on cement blocks. Have Christmas lights on the outside of the trailer all year round and a porch overloaded with hanging baskets, bird-feeders, and stray cats.

Inside, be sure to decorate with furniture from the '70s in brown and orange, with a little turquoise for an accent. Have hi-tech entertainment equipment, such as a television set with bunny ears antennae complete with tin foil and duct tape on top. Also, buy works of art such as a mounted fish that sings and black velvet paintings. And be sure to mount all animal heads killed by residents of the trailer and hang them above the bowling trophy case.

Wear curlers in your hair all day long for no apparent reason and a ratty old bathrobe to cover the faded nightgown that screams your chocolate addiction is the closest you've come to getting some in years. Don't forget the dog-chewed bunny slippers. Never get dressed in real clothes... you're not going anywhere besides the Five and Dime and Krogers anyway.

Cook nothing but deep-fried. Deep fried okra, fish, chicken, squash, fritters - you name it, deep fry it. Have a pan of grease on the stove that's 2 weeks old for the deep frying. (It's still good... grease can't really go bad.) Keep an extra large bag of pork rinds above the fridge. There are no real dishes in your kitchen cabinets. Just paper plates, plastic cups from fast food restaurants, and cheap silverware.

Have a spouse who wrassles alligators and wears sagging jeans (plumber's butt is so sexy). The spouse is responsible for setting and keeping track of the raccoon traps that usually end up catching skunks instead. The spouse is also responsible for most of the mounted animal heads and the gun rack in the living room. Repeat after me: fur and glass eyes are an art-form.

Lastly, remember that you can never be too tacky. Martha Stewart's show doesn't come in on your TV anyway. This is America, land of the free, and you have the right to be as tasteless and gaudy as you want to be! Seize the day and cover it in shag rug.

What to do with the online voting system

by Synita Pryor

Personally, I grew dangerously disturbed by the fiasco disguised as paper ballot recounts this past presidential election. I tossed and turned all night with visions of ancient machines processing at the speed of my grandmother crocheting a blanket. I had nightmares of tall, slender, very suspicious looking men dressed all in black dumping ballots into the Atlantic Ocean and laughing hysterically at the tops of their lungs. Instead of sheep, I counted slips of paper that seemed to be missing an important candidate and in the crossword puzzle I finally managed to complete, none of the clues matched the answers. Yes, life was getting pretty weird. To make a long story short, the entire episode did a number to my emotional state.

Shortly thereafter, much debate arose about whether online voting would have been a better choice, but I guess some of those debaters failed to realize that about 200 service people overseas did cast absentee ballots online in the previous election as part of a pilot project by the Department of Defense. Don't feel bad. I had no idea either until I conducted a little background research for this editorial. In fact, Democrats in Arizona voted online in March in that state's presidential primary. In January, Republicans in Alaska used the Internet for a poll, too. Despite questions of security and discrimination of non-computer users, odds are for online voting by the 2008 presidential election, but don't tell the critics I foretold this outcome. This is still a hot debate.

In the meantime, online voting is increasing in popularity in lower elections, too. Professional organizations, unions and other companies regularly use online voting to poll stockholders, vote on issues or choose officers. Online voting is also growing in colleges. More and more college campuses are implementing online voting for governing positions, especially among their Student Government Association officers and representatives. Overall, online voting has met much success on other college campuses. Of course, they have had their complications - mainly attributed to computer glitches. Others complain voter turnout didn't increase with the online voting as they had hoped, but expected. On the positive side,

online voting is cheaper, faster, and more convenient than traditional paper ballots.

Apparently, everything technologically advanced is cheaper, faster, and more convenient these days so those pros are warily accepted as true. I was active in the general elections and used the online voting system. The electronic ballot was easy to understand and to complete. I liked being able to vote at my own convenience. For someone with such a hectic schedule, this is a great bonus. I also enjoyed the privacy of voting from my own computer - no pressure from candidates eyeing the election box or fellow Wesleyans quietly endorsing their friends who are running for office. However, the things I did not like about the newly adopted procedure seem significantly more pressing than a matter of convenience.

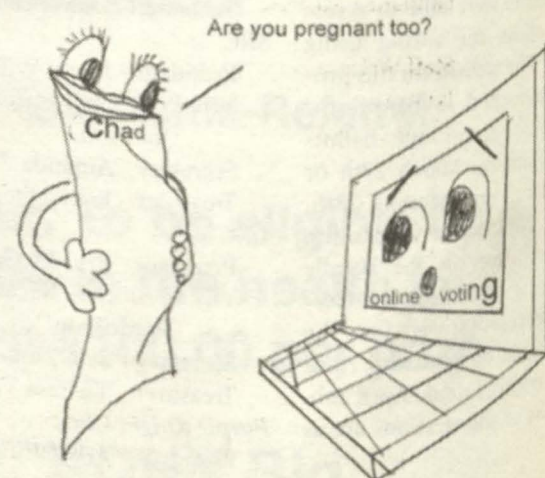
For starters, the computer glitches got distressingly out of control. I find out that I am not technically a junior my third year at Wesleyan and my original vote does not count BOTH times I completed a ballot. I ended up sending my ballot via email to Jason Pontius and although I have no real reason to doubt his sincerity, that is an obvious breach of confidentiality. The "Electronic Voting Rules" on the first page of the SGA Elections Ballot assures that all votes are anonymous and secure. It states IDs and votes are recorded in separate databases that cannot be connected. Hopefully, votes are not electronically interrupted before being tallied.

The automatic tallying of votes seems a bit suspicious since computers aren't really "automatic" - they only appear that way. Computer programming is another of my hidden talents. Having spent a major portion of my high school years dissecting computers, I am nowhere near techno-phobic so if I have reservations about online voting, it is to assume that persons not familiar with computer use are also guaranteed to avoid it altogether. However, I do not believe that about a technology debate on voter turnout has increased. I am currently looking at two different numbers sent to me by e-mail of recorded voters. 123 students vote or did 106 students vote? I am completely befuddled (well, I have my suspicions you have the answer, please inform me. I hate to be clueless).

I am also concerned for many Wesleyan students unable to access their e-mail accounts and thus unable to access the online ballot. Although overall voter turnout was greater than in previous years, only about 30% of Wesleyan students bothered to vote. You would expect with such a cheaper, faster, and more convenient voting system that more students would participate. Computer services must assure that the Wesleyan network is up to par. Students have been interfering with the e-mail system semester long and now we are expected to use it to vote? I seriously question the motives behind the electronic ballot system.

WesleyWorld

by Amanda Zagloba



Florida and Wesleyan: Does history repeat itself?

Voting system (continued)

one adopted (exactly who is up for grabs because it was unexpected news for everyone, including SGA members). It must not be the same one used by the larger universities who are so enthusiastic about its performance. Students didn't exist or existed in the wrong classification. Votes were subsequently lost because of this, although I commend the quick-witted solution to this problem (let's only re-vote those cases where 3 votes could have mattered). It is impossible to recount votes. Plus, with the discrepancy in recorded votes of almost twenty students, who can be sure?

Probably the most disturbing is how this new online voting system came about - oh wait, I have no idea. In conducting my research, when colleges implemented online voting, it was through the school's SGA, but our SGA members were just as surprised as the students they represent were with this one. This is even more frustrating because some students have spent all this year fighting for student voice (Kudos to those brave souls) and in this case, it was definitely muted. At the online voting site, both Student Affairs and the Student Government Association are accredited for its creation, but SGA had no input. Ask any SGA member for proof. In fact, according to the SGA constitution, the Elections Committee has five responsibilities: (1) to collect and post election cards, (2) to design and print ballots, (3) to set

up the voting booth at breakfast, lunch, and dinner on the day of the election, (4) to assist the Elections Chair and the other members of the committee in counting votes, and (5) to be familiar with Article V of senate by-laws. Nowhere in the constitution does it mention online voting as a method of voting and students did not vote to amend the methods or create an appropriate stipulation. Will the real members of this year's Elections Committee please stand up?

Then again, the SGA lists many things that are not exactly followed. Unqualified persons running for an office is nothing new to the Wesleyan College campus. Members of the junior class should be very familiar with this concept. It's not often that students run opposed in most cases, but in the event of SGA President, you would think students should be more careful. All nominations are approved through Student Affairs first, but apparently even they didn't catch this one. Two of the three candidates for SGA President were not qualified (according to the SGA constitution) to run for office and the (forgive the awkwardness here) lesser unqualified candidate won. Now, how about that? Of course, you could argue that qualification requirements shouldn't be so static that a worthy candidate doesn't have the chance to run on that basis. In this respect, I could agree since I personally felt one of the



Wesleyan students voted for the Wesleyan Woman of the Year by paper ballots on Monday April 16, 2001. That might have been the last time paper ballots are used in school-wide elections.

constitutionally unqualified candidates is completely capable of holding the office, but if we don't follow guidelines, we're bound to run into trouble. The purpose of drafting and approving a constitution is so that the organization will have a reliable and orderly way of handling business. The last presidential election was not a fiasco because of parliamentary procedure, but because those procedures became unreliable and unorderly.

If the students cannot completely trust a system designed to help them then how reliable is that system? Would it be so difficult to present such matters before the student body before assuming them best? Cases like this one remind me of my mother telling me to eat more squash instead of the last slice of chocolate cake simply because "mother knows best." Even to this day, I hate squash and gorge on chocolate. This is not to say that students should reject the new online voting system and stick with paper ballots, but that options presented by the administration should take the students into consideration and debated among the students for some compromise. We all know every Wesleyan student is not capable of casting votes with the online system. Perhaps, computer services should work harder to ensure everyone is satisfactorily online. Increase security without risking confidentiality. We, as students, also need to fulfill our parts - become active voices rather than passive attendees. We need to learn the guidelines that keep us organized and to abide by them to ensure efficiency. We need to stop making excuses for not being involved and work at the issues that prevent students from becoming involved. Nothing

changes if no one is willing to put a bold foot forward in the name of progress and understanding.

In the new crossword puzzle I managed to complete, none of the clues matched the answers. Yes, life is getting pretty weird.

Online Voting Survey Results

Out of 22 usable votes:
 20 students voted (91% of survey voters)
 20 students used the new online voting system (91%)
 14 students had no difficulty using the new online voting system (64%)
 13 students would have preferred hand-counted paper votes (59%)
 20 would have liked to be aware of the candidates running for office 48 hours prior to voting (91%)
 20 would have liked to hear about each candidate's platform in the Election Forum (91%)
 19 believed the student body should have approved implementing the new online voting system first (86%)
 Student Affairs/Student Government Association reported both 106 and 123 calculated votes. I based the percentages using the more likely 106 figure.

Comments from actual students:

"Somehow, it seems that the SGA Constitution has been completely disregarded by Student Affairs. This does not surprise me. It is part of a pattern this year of certain people with authority in our school abusing their power and disregarding the decisions of the students (such as those laid forth in the SGA Constitution)."

"Leave it to the computer nerd to actually like online voting. Sure it's new and different, but there's very little difference between

online and a piece of paper. For one thing, paper votes can be miscounted way easier than electronic ones. Papers get stuck together. Eyes get tired. I could go on."

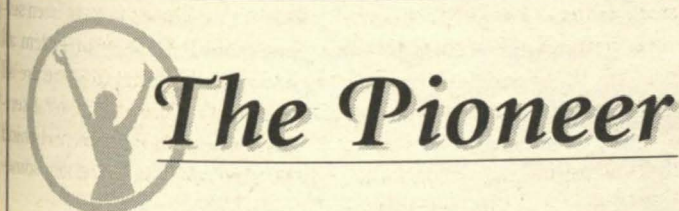
"It is such a shame that people feel like they can't handle change, so they must find anything and complain about it....So, it seems hypocritical of ourselves to argue against something that effectively made elections faster and more convenient. If people can't 'handle' the results, that is one thing, but to directly attack the one change that seems to benefit the entire student body, I simply cannot stand aside and listen."

"I am extremely disappointed at the fact that Student Affairs intentionally broke the Election By-Laws by granting 2 unqualified candidates permission to run....This rule was broken when he [Jason Pontius] granted permission when he was fully aware that a qualified student was willing and able to run in the election - so, the position would have been filled without the extra candidates. I feel, due to talking to the people involved and having one recount a conversation with Jason, that this happened due to partialism, on the Student Affairs behalf, on the outcome of the election, or what the outcome would have been without the extra candidates."

"Last I checked, democracy doesn't mean voting until one group likes the outcome."

"But who determines qualifications?"

"If the student is a good leader yet has only been on SGA a short amount of time and wants a high office that I know she'll succeed in then that's qualification for me. Either that or she has to be 35...just kidding."



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Second Annual International Festival a hit

by Isa Amaya

Second Annual International Festival brings Far Away Places a little closer to home

On April fifth, the Oval Hall of Wesleyan's Alumni building was transformed into a pleasant bouquet for the senses as the International Club hosted its second annual International Festival, titled "As the World Turns".

The festival began at 5:30 when dinner was set to be served. A table set with delicious food from around the world that filled the room with the aroma of tasty spices. The food included daal (a lentil soup from India), chola (chickpeas and potatoes dish from Pakistan), fried rice from China and sushi from South Korea. Music from all different types of nationalities played as the spectators tried the different types of food served and looked at the different nations that were displayed at the Festival. The spectators were able to look at pictures and typical artwork from each of the countries displayed such as China, Nigeria, Malaysia, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Indonesia, Bulgaria, Romania, and Jamaica.

The International performances for the festival followed an hour later. The performance began with a Jamaican hip-hop dance performed by nine International Club members. Many other performances followed including a Colombian dance and a French poetry reading. A fourth country that was represented in the dance performances was India. The Indian dances that were performed were the panjabi dance, garba (a traditional Indian dance), and a Nip Ngs dance. Harambe dance troop also performed at the Festival representing Africa. Other performances included International Club members singing songs from Indonesia, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Korea, and China as well as a Tae Kwon Do demonstration by Dr. Rhodes and fellow Tae Kwon Do enthusiasts.

After the performance, International Club provided events such as Chinese painting, hair braiding, henna painting, and face painting. Fara Khann left the festival with a Chinese symbol for "love" painted on a piece of one of the boards that Dr. Rhodes had broken. As Fara showed me the newly painted board, she smiled

and said that the festival was "wonderful" and that she enjoyed everything: the food, the performances, and of course the Chinese Painting as well.

Farzana Ajani, International Club President, recalls the event with a smile as well. She explains that 120 people came to the International Festival which was "more than expected" because it was a bigger turn out than the year before.

She concluded that the festival was "a great success" but that it could not have been done without her "hardworking, loyal members that helped" with all the aspects of the festival. Farzana states that she was absolutely "ecstatic" with the results of the festival.

She continues by saying that the goal of the International Club is "to enhance the understanding of cultures on campus" and that she believes that the annual International Festival event helps accomplish this goal.

This will be Farzana's last year as President of the club due to her upcoming graduation in May but she says with a laugh: "I will come back next year to see it, though; I wouldn't miss it".

Faculty Fun Facts

Can you guess what fact goes with which faculty member?

compiled by Amanda Zagloba

1. Who sang with a band until she got married and wanted to star on Broadway in musical comedy?
2. Who worked their way through college by playing with a rock and roll band (piano).
3. Who listens to the Spice Girls and Eminem after their children are asleep?
4. Who has met the former President of France, Giscard d'Estaing?
5. Who played the violin and almost became a music major?

- (a) Saralyn DeSmet
- (b) Peggy Ellington
- (c) Regina Oost
- (d) Benjy Davies
- (e) Darlene Mettler

1 (b); 2 (e); 3 (d); 4 (a); 5 (c)

GKs reflect on first year

by Libby Garrett

As the school year draws to a close, many members of the Green Knight class of 2004 cannot believe their freshman year of college has passed so quickly. Opinions about the year vary, as most GK's experienced both good and bad times.

"I can't believe the year passed so quickly," Kelly Lundblad said. Many other students feel the same way. Mary Beth McCoy thinks, "that this year just flew by," because "the professors here are so helpful." Lauren Eckman agrees that the professors are willing to help since "the phrase 'The door is always open' is truly applicable at Wesleyan." Jennifer Kerr feels that she benefited during her freshman year because of "the way the classes are seminar based. I had more of an opportunity to express my ideas and beliefs in class."

The amount of studying necessary surprised many of the freshmen. Shelly Stevens believes that "the only thing I would change would be the amount of time I put into my work/studying. I now know how to use my time more efficiently. I wish they



Green Knight first-years, Mary Kathrine Borland and McKinzie Beitz sit together at lunch. Most of the GK class of 2004 say the friendships made this first year are what really matter to them.

would offer first years a class in time management."

Not all of the GK's are entirely content with their first year college experience. Most of the discontentment results from a lack of opportunity to meet men and a sense that the school's virtues were misrepresented. To sum this up, one GK said, "I realize life isn't exactly what the brochure portrayed." Some freshmen believe they were told false statements to make sure they attended Wesleyan. Jennifer Manning believes that some of her freedom has been curtailed, and she also expresses displeasure with the fact that she hates "losing \$6,500 in scholar-

ships that are merit based and hearing the financial aid office tell...you can take out more loans." For Sheree Sharpe, college is "[n]ot what I expected in terms of parties and guys but when it comes to friendships and classes, it is great."

For most of the freshman, it is the friendships that have made the first year enjoyable. While some GK's "expected more from college life," Eckman sums up the thoughts of many concerning friendships: "When things aren't going your way, i.e. the cafeteria food isn't up to par, and you have no hot water, all you have to do is think about the friends you've made, and it makes it all worth while."

Students "lei-d" at Spring Social

By Lisa Cheatwood

Maybe it was the enticing mention from CAB members that they might get lei-d at this year's Spring Social that brought such a great crowd of students and their dates out at 8pm on Friday night. Or maybe it was the promise of great food, refreshments dancing & announcement of Spring Queen. We may never know, but nevertheless it seemed that everyone who attended the bash on Friday had an awesome night. Campus Activities Board sponsored this Hawaiian-style Spring Social Friday, April 6 at Lake Wildwood Country Club.

Fabulous Hawaiian decorations both inside and out of the country club really got everyone in the mood for a luau. Colorful leis were passed out to party-goers at the door. No detail was overlooked, from the bamboo torches out back to the little hula girl on the cake; everyone was taken on a mini-vacation put together very well by CAB. The whole crowd was very spirited all night, and for some reason no one seemed too shy to get out on the dance floor and 'get their groove on.' The crowd's applause and shrieks were overwhelming as Charisse Jenkins was crowned Spring Queen. The rest of the night was filled with dancing, eating, drinking, and lots of merriment that lasted until the event ended at midnight.

There was a great turnout for this year's Spring Social, and it was a big hit with all the students who attended. Many thanks to CAB for the effort they put into making this event such a great success. But maybe it was the getting lei-d that made everyone so happy. Who knows?

Find out what the graduating class of May 2001 has left to Wesleyan

I, Jennifer Marie Bagby, being of tired body and weary soul, do hereby bequeath the following to be dispensed on May 5, 2001. Mary Charlotte: I leave you with tons of Friday dances. It's FRIDAY, It's FRIDAY! I am so glad I got to know you through various events. You are an awesome person, and I wish you all the dreams and hopes for the future.

Jennifer Arrington and Stefanie Bethel: I leave you all the dust in the back room of an opportunity store in Kentucky.

To my little sister, Virginia Dicken: You are such a beautiful person with passions that will never cease. Don't ever lose the will to fight for injustices. I leave you with a wonderful little sister who will be able to give you the time that I never was able to give. I love you and wish you the best of luck in the future.

Namita Mohanty: I leave you with constant laughing everytime I enter the room. You are such a wonderful friend, and you better call me anytime you need a pep talk. Contain yourself, PEEP PEEP, and you are always my chopped liver. Don't forget about the zoo! Abbie Brannon: I leave you with the ability to always have a smile on your face. It has been so fun getting to know you, and I hope that you always have fun. Good luck!

Rachel Fredriksen: I leave you with one of my smiles. You are an awesome person who deserves so much, and I hope you find it. You know that I am always here for you, and I am so glad you are in my life. Don't ever forget about Mexico.

Ericka Stewart: I leave you with the ability to fix my coolant. You are such a great person, and I hope that you will someday find someone to return that greatness. From the summer e-mails to random talks, I will always be grateful. Good luck next year!

Taylor Johnson: I leave you with the ability to always look cool! Thanks for your friendship and good luck! I love you!

Natalie Puckett: I leave you with our friendship, which I hope will continue. I don't know what I would have done without you and I wish you the best of luck in everything. I am so proud of you, and I always will be. Good luck with SGA, STUNT, and, of course, the wedding. I love you!

To my first floor Wortham first years: (Laura W., Katie Taylor, Bernie, Kasie, Erin Dunken, Desi, Jennifer Green, Amy Martin, Becka Smedley, Paige, Elsa, Amber, Ebony, Sharlissa, Erica Hermann, Maria W., Lauren Hill, Taylor Johnson, Bria, Crystal, Silla, Sarah, Tina, Carolyn, Tekla,

Tarra, and Pebbles): You were a great hall! I leave you with the friendships that you formed on the first day. This hall was unique to itself, don't ever forget each other. And stay away from the toilet paper! Sarah Chandler: I leave you with our mothers. You are such a great friend who, even though we didn't talk a lot, I always knew you were there. Good luck next year.

Beth Williford: I leave you with an invitation to my room anytime you need to get over the hump. Erin McGavin: I leave you with the ability to say junk. I know this year was rocky in itself,

future. I love you!

Lori Brown: I leave you with a wedding on May 19th filled with yellow everything. Good luck in everything and thanks for always being there!

Jame' McCoy: I leave you with the passion that won't die. You are such a great person and thank you for your friendship. Good luck in everything and thank you! Lindsey Rich: I leave you lunch with the three of us. Whatever is supposed to happen will happen; I hope it happens to you. You deserve the best and you will get it. Good luck!

Jywanya Smith: I am not leav-

like to leave the following words as my soon forgotten legacy here at this INSTITUTION. I came here to get an education and I suppose that \$75 piece of paper (printed in a language I never hope to master) proves to me that I have achieved my goal - but I digress. I thought about using my fifteen minutes on this little ditty we like to call "senior wills" in some hostile, femi-nazi, "i hate everyone and everything" analysis of everything that has occurred since August 23, 1997, but I have learned that I am too old and too good for such nonsense (that was for you Natalie!). I am happy. I

(for you my love).

I, Stacey Burton, do hereby leave these meaningful things to these deserving people:

To Maria Williams - I leave SRC in your capable hands. I know you will do a great job. I wish for you and the board only great things (unlike previous senior wills); I just hope you have a greater response from the student body next year.

To Rachel Garman - I leave the position of Big Sister. I know you will be terrific at it. I hope your Little Sister is just as wonderful as you are.

To anyone willing to take it - I leave you Expressions Dance Company. It has meant so much to me during the past four years. I hate to see it die. (Anyone interested, please come see me).

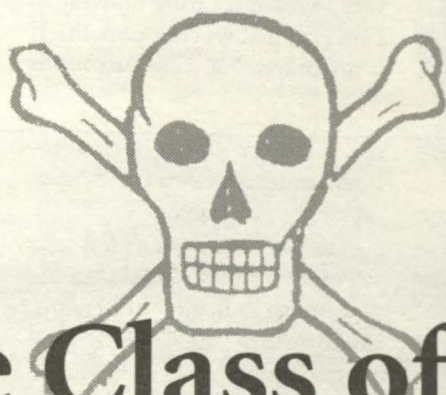
To the PK's - I leave you the joys and sorrows of being tired, old seniors. May you treasure every second.

To the GH's - I leave you the Pirate's skill at Class Soccer and our love of STUNT. May the soccer cup be yours next year. May you achieve what we never could, winning the STUNT cup.

To the GK's - I leave the ability to maintain your enthusiasm and survive the sophomore slump.

Wesleyan has left me with so much, I hope what I leave you will mean at least a portion of what it has meant to me.

I, Hannah Callender, of scatterbrained mind and the-results-of-four-years-of-Wesleyan-food body hereby will to Therese Tholkes what I like to call a "little circle of trust" and the ability to wonder, but never worry, to Erin McGavin an unlimited supply of physics problems and poparts with butter, to Silla Sumerlin the ability to "float your own boat" and do "whatever works" for you and to learn all the WCF songs, to Pasty (Danielle) White the ability "to raise the root," pour as much sugar in the Koolaid as your little heart desires, and to plan your "Boo laylay" jokes for lunchtime, to Namita Mohanty the ability to correctly spell "piece of trash," remember that you are one, and to keep the funnel cake tradition alive, to Elsa George the ability to hear and follow that still, small voice inside of you and realize that it is God's voice, to Rachel Fredriksen the ability to drive down the road without a runaway car slamming you in the side, to Trista Dudich the ability to hit a homerun whenever you feel like it (I really have that ability! I have just never felt like doing it! J), to Rachael Shaw the ability tell boys



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but you always and still do mean a lot to me, and I wish you the best of luck in everything.

To the Pirates: Did you ever think it would get here? Good luck to everyone and thank you for all the memories.

STUNT Committee: (Andrea Morgan, Charisse Jenkins, Jame McCoy, Brandy Morris, Lindsey Rich) I leave you with the hour of gossip and free advice. We had a great time and gave the four greatest STUNTS we could give!

Andrea Morgan: I leave you with the invitation to sleep in my room anytime strangers are in yours. You are a great friend, and I will never forget freshman year. Good luck and keep in touch.

Abbie Smoak: I leave you with Todd. Hee, hee. Thank you for being such a great friend, and I wish you the best of luck with everything.

Angela Weddington: ALEENA! I leave you with something to throw at me in the mornings. Thanks for being such a great roomie and you know I love you! Good luck with everything.

Hannah Callender: I leave you with pixy sticks. You are a great friend who helped me so much my freshman year. Always be true to yourself and good luck in the

ing you with anything because you are coming with me! I love you!

Angel Stark: You are one of my best friends, and I leave you with a summer in Savannah. Moving, bringing you Sonic, and depending on one another. Thank you for everything, and I hope you always find love, happiness, and peace. You always know where I am! I love you!

Silla Sumerlin: I won't leave you with anything because I won't ever leave. I don't even know what to say, but thank you is the first thing that comes to mind. Late nights, fixing your hair in my "shirt", anything that kept us going, and love. Three years of the best time of my life. I will always love you, and I hope you will always remember that. There is so much more to say, but this isn't the place. Thank you for everything, and you know I will never leave you, and I will always need you. I am so proud of you, and I am so sorry I can't be here for your senior year. Good luck and you will do great! You are my pooter and always will be. To heaven and beyond. I love you with all my heart.

I, Lori "FQ" Brown, (having been born of a woman) would

am very happy. I am leaving. "My future's so bright I gotta wear shades." Therefore, I'll skip all the mean-spirited bull and end my years here on a happy, somewhat humorous note. To those of you I leave behind, I would like to offer you the following:

- 12 shots of vodka (in one sitting)
- 11 instant messages
- 10 convocations
- 9 page long syllabi
- 8 tattoos
- 7 psycho G.U.M.s
- 6 extra people involved in your drama

- 5 construction projects taking place at once

- 4 trees - so you can have a few when all is said and done

- 3 hours of credit just in case you hit 2nd semester senior year only to be told you lack those hours and no one bothered to tell you.

- 2 people you will actually want to keep in touch with after graduation

AND
A PARTRIDGE FAMILY LP-I LOVE DAVID!!

Please be careful, content, and don't get an STD. Good luck in life and I sincerely hope that you will all be at the same point I am as I graduate. Peace be with yo a**

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off when they whistle at you, to Crystal Rogers the ability to laugh out loud, oh wait you already do that, just keep it up J, to my first Wesleyan little sister ever, Bonnie Boyd, the ability to act crazy at lunch just to see people's reactions and to always crave Mexican white cheese, to Taylor Johnson the ability to stay away from Bandfest, to April Prince the ability to act up in Wesleyan, never have sympathy for "old heifers" and to do that arm thing, I don't know what to call that, to Katie Taylor the ability to make fish faces and look completely interested during CRC meetings, to Dana Hooper the ability to keep Coach Carter in line and do a better job as captain than I did, to Lauren Haney the ability to go through the shortcut and fear nothing, to Abbie Brannon the ability to remain a sane math major and to be your own person no matter what, to Ericka Stewart the ability to have crazy curly hair and be proud of it, to Cilla Howell the ability to always know that my name starts with an "H" and yours starts with a "C," and the ability to give good hugs, to Emily Dukes the ability to play the piano in front of others (like me, for instance!!!), to Shannon Duncan the ability to always make people think about things, to Jennifer Howard the ability to always make people feel "special," to Stephanie Bethel the ability to feel confident when you are seen walking down the hall with a stuffed starfish and Carebear, to Jennifer Arrington the ability to find almost anything extremely funny, to Betsy Rogers the ability to smile and remember that God always loves you, to Mia Landis, my other little sister, the ability to dress appropriately for daytime operas J, to Shelly St. Pierre the ability to keep singing praises to the Lord, and to all those who I probably forgot because I did this in such a hurry, I love you, and I will never forget the impact all of you have had on my life. I will forever miss all of you and Wesleyan.

Ms. JaVonna DeShay Daniels, being of a sagacious (intelligent) mind, and enchanting body would like to impart the following:

To the ladies of FYS "Growing Up Different" Fall 97: Farzana Ajani, Andrienne Cooper-Jones, Laretha Lockhart, Laura Davis, and Tonya Parker. From beginning freshmen to pioneering seniors we have endured four long years at Wesleyan College. We have it made through just like Dr. Mettler said we would when we

first entered her class four years ago. I guess now we can all say that "We Know Why the Caged Bird Sings." I wish you all the best and may God bless you.

To Dr. Darlene Mettler: Thanks so much for all of your patience, kindness, generosity, encouragement, and the list goes on and on. You have been there for me the past four years and I sincerely appreciate you Dr. Mettler. You were there to push me forward when I felt like going backwards. When things seemed to be so BIG that I didn't think I would be able to handle them, you provided me with a looking glass that showed me that things were not as BIG as they seemed. I admire the tenacity and determination that surrounds everything that you set your mind to do. I will miss you when I leave Wesleyan, but I promise to keep in touch. Maybe we will even schedule ourselves to have lunch in Covenant Gardens, or to see what's new at the British Museum (London, England round two).

To Danielle Brinson: "GET IT!"

To the ladies of Black Student Alliance: Stay united ladies. BSA is an extension of who you are and what you stand for. God will provide you with everything you need, just trust Him.

C - R - Y - S - T - A - L
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yanira Chevere "Follow the Leader, Leader, Leader, unless the leader is SATAM." Remember you know how to recognize Him, especially, if he's wearing his special floss.

Serena, stick with Vodka cause it will never do you wrong. It will let you be the bur-gur-gular instead of the lamp (lol). "Cancun 2000" #18 all the way baby.

To the ladies of Circle K, communities keep thriving because of people like you. Keep up the good work!

Dr. Rowan, Dr. Hollis, and Dr. Bill Curry, thank you so much for making the study of psychology a fun-filled and exciting learning experience for me. Each of you

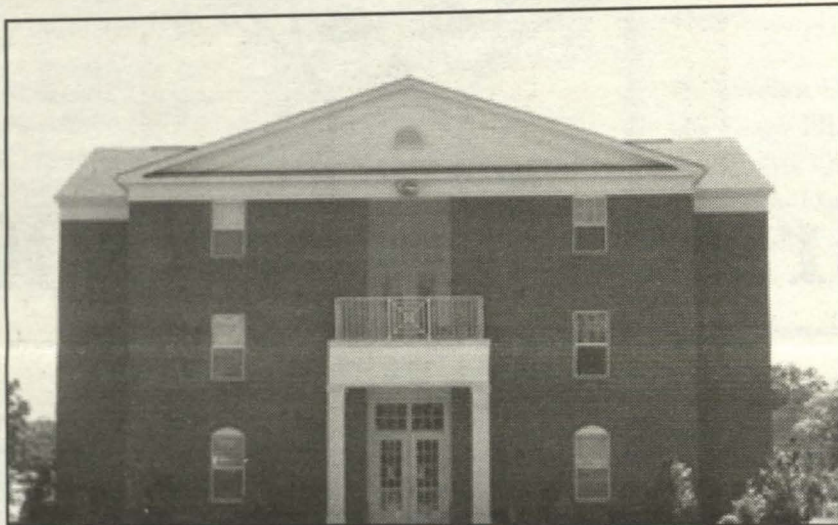
have touched my lives in a special way.

Ms. Alicia 'lil bit' Ogletree, I'm gonna need you to stay out of trouble and take care of yourself. Don't stop striving for the best, you have come too far to give up now. May God bless you and help you to achieve your heart's every desire.

English 202, Spring 2001: Always remember that "Every Woman needs to have a Room of Her Own." I hope that each of you finds her own special room in life.

Ms. Nikki Bradshaw, Calessa Wells, and Tahirah Muwwakkil: Keep it Crunk Ladies!!!

To Chanel Thomas: You are a very sweet and caring individual. I am glad that we crossed paths. It is my prayer that God surrounds



Corn Hall, the Senior Apartment building, was one housing option that allowed the Senior Class of 2001 to remain together during their final year at Wesleyan.

you with His loving care and protect you as you embark upon life outside of Wesleyan.

Stephanie "Hoochie Mama" Dunda, after graduation I need you to take the time to practice the butterfly three times a day. The next time I see you whether it's at Homecoming or Class Reunion, I want to see you do your thang. PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE! (lol)

Ms. Moneyhun, and Ms. Helmick: 1, 2, 3 Peep! Who would have thought that we would be brought together by a Senior Seminar and History Class? I have really enjoyed getting to know you ladies this semester. I wish you the best as you continue your lives after Wesleyan. Keep in touch. Maybe we can get together at the Idle Club for some champagne(lol).

Becki Tanner: Bourbon Street All the Way Baby! *New Orleans 2000*

Dr. Buell, you have given me a passion for the art of communication that will stick with me for life. Thank you for all you have

done for me.

Sharlissa "PIG" Pollard: You better get your songs together, because when I return it's gonna be on like a chicken-head sandwich from McDonald's. Straight Old-School baby!

To Ayesha Crossman: Take care of yourself in France. Don't go over there breaking no French hearts being the man magnet that you are. There's no need to fake you now miss girl because I know the real you. Now behave yourself, and to make sure that you do, here's a list of what you should not do in France:

- (1) No Barking Out of the Window
- (2) No after-midnight make-up sessions
- (3) no solo performances in the shower

- (4) No croissant in the microwave
- (5) No Techno Music after 10:30pm, and finally
- (6) DO NOT TOUCH THE REMOSTAT, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES

I think that this is enough for now. When I think of some more, I'll let you know. Other than that, I Luv Ya Girl!

Ms. L. Lockhart, remember that "You Can Do All Things Through Christ Which Strengtheneth You." Still much love 4 U!

Ms. Andrea "LA" Clark, Keep Wesleyan on lock like only you can. "You just do the ——— thing!"

Computer Graphic Design Class: "It's almost over ladies!"

To the Glorious Golden Hearts: "Great little Sisters Make Even Greater BIG Sisters."

"Miss Spring Social Queen 2001" Charisse Jenkins: Congratulations on not just this accomplishment, but on everything that you have accomplished from completing your senior portfolio to making it on the list of 2001 Graduates of Wesleyan College. Differences may have separated us in the past but circumstances have brought us together. I guess that it was just an element of individual diversity (senior seminar 2001). I wish you

the best and good luck in your future endeavors.

P.S. Keep those men in order like I know you will Mr. Jenkins(lol). In the meantime, will keep reading books(Cancun 2000, #18)).

To the Purple Knights, Golden Hearts, and Green Knights: Be patient your time is coming. It will not be long.

Well, well, well Dr. Marc Taylor what can I say? Nothing but it's been a thrilling ride through Vietnam, the Middle East, and now Latin America. Thanks for being a Great Driver —Ms. Daniels

Finally, but most definitely not least.

"Who My Name Is?" None other than Ms. Ebony "Kebo" Roberts from the A-U-G. Although we have only known each other for a few short months, we have made enough memories together that would last a life time. It makes me really sad (maybe even makes my stomach hurt) to think that there will be no more late night stops on Vineville Avenue. No more singing in the Comedy Cafe, the Mega-Mass Choir. Hmm, how about those non-study sessions at Denny's? Shirley please tell me "What would I do without my Kebo?" Although I am graduating I will never be so far away that you cannot reach me. I am sure by now that you know how (through use of a phone, celly, or even a fork). In any case, the bottom line is that I am gonna miss you girl but I promise to keep in touch. Maybe we will see a play on Saturday. You know "A Raisin In the Sun," "Phantom of the Opera." PLAY! Take care of yourself and watch out for those flashing RED LIGHTS. If you need any help just dial 1-800-555-CORA, or is she dead? I love you baby girl!

JD "Taking It to The House."

Emily Helmick

To my wonderful sweet-mama Dana Hooper, I just want to say that I am so glad I met you. You are a great friend! I would like to leave you all of the crazy, lumpy horses that I always had to ride! I know you can't wait to get on them! Love ya Brainer!

To April Prince, I leave all of my awesome singing talents (ha ha), as if you need them! I also leave you all of my dirty saddle pads to wash for me! Thanks for being such a great friend to me! I look forward to seeing you every summer! I know you will miss those long car rides to VA on Martin Luther King's Birthday as much as I will!! Love ya Red!

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To Jacquie Thompson I would like to leave you all of Madame Magic's magical powers! I hope they work for you as well as they have for her! I will miss ya Wacket! If things don't work out between Chad and me, don't worry you will be the first I call (ha-ha!)

To Becca Smedley and Jessica Rissmiller, I would like to leave all of those legal drinks I opted not to take! You guys can drink em' for me! Enjoy your time at 21 for me! Love you guys! Oh, and Becca no more stunts at the benefit show!

To Courtenay Staples and Rachel Garrison, I leave that long, brown, swirly thing! I know you will figure out exactly what to do with it! Love ya Rock and you too Courtafla!

To Heidi Walker and Melissa Williams, I leave all of the laughs that we have had! Lissa thanks for dancing with me! I am sure I will remember it one day! Heidi good luck with "Big D" I will miss you guys very much! See ya in June for some Bluegrass!!

To all of you who are part of the "Horse Mafia", I leave you with all of the fun memories that we have had together! I know I will treasure each one of you, and I will hold you all in my heart forever! Keep in touch! I will miss ya all, Chrissy Sue, Tabirtha, Mattie, Maria, Hylan, Jessica B. You guys know who you are!

I Kizzy Holmes being of deteriorating mind and exhausted body, do hereby leave the following to those at Wesleyan who have touched my heart...

to... Rindi Daniel, I leave another year at Wesleyan, strength, direction, industrial-sized jars of dill pickles, afternoon naps, dead weight, and feelings of being loved for who you are.

Sarah Chandler, I leave you road trips to Statesboro, Deer heads in the toilet, Cheers, bite marks...you have stopped that right? or have you?, dances against the wall, infinite means of procrastination, nonsense, talks about love and life. Memories are frozen. I will never forget you.

Kimberly Peterson a.k.a. Little Kim a.k.a. Pete, I leave you a renewed friendship, freshman year memories, unwanted memories of H.C., smokes on the porch, cuddle buddy, Krystal's parking lots, lap dances, threesomes...are you supposed to just fall asleep?

Sandra Vega, He look like a man, weird accents, 1 a.m. walks to Kroger, nappy couches, moth balls, Jenny Jones, long talks. Erica Vural, Bad habits, pro-

crastination, sex lies and videotape....well, maybe just videotape and a camcorder battery that works, most beautiful hair award.

Shannon Duncan, Tickle me Elmo....I will give him back, Beads from St. Patty's Day...show me you ****, ability to talk to people at clubs, Medal for courage to be true to yourself, project read hours, an ear to listen to all the stories you want to tell.

Taylor Johnson, Memories of the Captain from my sophomore year, crawling to Wortham's porch, procrastination, Learning and Memory labs.

Renee Hempfleng, 2 liter bottle of Coke...you know what to do, Strange men from Rock-a-billy's.

Liz Herbers-Sanger, Dead fish coming to life in the toilet, a helping hand, lunch time laughter.

Lori Brown, Blond lil Kim wigs and booty shake.

Megan Beene, Ancient admissions memories of answering phones and reps who have left, sugar cookies.

Kris Mayrhofer, Intentions of playing board games.

Erin James, the longing to get better acquainted.

Beth Childress, Random laughter, lunch buddies....I am not alone the rest of my table will be here soon.

Canel Thomas, gas X, all the snacks you can eat, box set home relaxers.

Michael McKinney, Random bits of stories from my life, Alpha Psi Omega...so we don't do anything...great!, Congratulations for finally remembering my name...Chas..um, I mean Kizzy.

Expressions, I leave a leg to stand on.

To all of my friends mentioned or not, the ability to realize that how much you mean to me and happiness without too much sacrifice.

Wesleyan, I leave behind to you wonderful friends and grand memories.

Senior Will -- Charisse Jenkins

To Andrea: I leave weekend dates with Jose Cuervo, late night "drive-by's", carbohydate-free diets, Aaandrea!, an "effective on the first ring" alarm clock, the Cadillac, the Pit, Rockabillies, catkillers, fill-ins, the milkshake, slumber party's at the North with

Dr. Dre and Snoopy, stripteasing at Austin with Ren and Stimpy, hot apple turnovers, tastebuds, "lights!", many more years as a supportive participant and successful leader, Aaandrea!

To Sherrie: Pour ma Sherrie je donne beaucoup d'amour, the taming of eyebrows, French dictionaries, a golf cart for trips across campus so Campus police can do police work, loyalty, rag-topping on gravel, "BOUNCE!", all of the pink outfits in the world (with accessories to match), Mr. Peppercorn!

To April: I leave late night studying at Denny's, "Do The April", 2-day trips to the bottom, \$2 for gas, a radar for 95 South, an extra, extra pair of boxer shorts, loyalty, all of the orange soda in the world, some hair for your tongue, some glue for your

that should follow you through your life. "Through God you can do all things!!!!" I hereby leave the following:

To Danielle Brinson, I would like to leave a peace of mind and don't worry you have plenty of time. Even though the road may seem rough, there is always a smooth path further up.

To Sharlissa Pollard, I leave the words "KEEP YOUR HEAD UP," only you and I know what is really up!

To my little sister Danielle White, I leave the presence of my laughter, hopefully your pocket will get fatter.

To my true friends if you claim to be, I leave my love and hopefully our paths will cross again because our friendships will never end.

And to my so-called friends, I leave my prayers because hopefully they will get you somewhere.

To all chemistry majors and future chemistry majors that do not know what lies ahead, I leave long nights of studying Physical Chemistry in your beds.

But most important I would like to leave Wesleyan truthfully, "Pearly White Teeth." If you know me like you say you know me, then you would not be wondering what do she really mean.

I, Jame McCoy,

being of exhausted mind do hereby bequeath to

SILLA: The title of HDOC (head dyke on Campus)...many sleepless art filled nights...the ability to do art as fast as me =)...long drives through downtown Savannah, just to chat...1,000 cigarettes when you need them...the ability to be able to eat nuts without looking like Barney Rubble...parties on Worthan porch...and most of all complete happiness once and for all...you are truly my bestest friend and I will always be here for you in some sort of way.

MARY-CHARLOTTE: Over 50 cds in 2 days...Benjy (on good days)...blue nights...Dave Mathews' crush...cold nights on the side of Wortham wanting another hug...stars...a tree to always hide behind and wait for me...dead weight always...paths crossing as years go by and a final meeting in the midst of drama...my love...and my thanks for the genuine happiness you've

brought to my life.

RINDI: The strength your mom has given me through these four years to make it...it is yours now...you can do it.

TAYLOR: things that never were, but you never know what's gonna happen...lemon drops...the work of Jean-Michel Basquiat and chick filet...and first meetings with only a 'hi'.

SHANNON: many many many hugs...Fernando (on his good days)...good lyrics...a rolling stone photography contract...more love than you'll ever need in your life.

MEGAN: Francis...naked male models (yuckie!!! you can have them all)...1,000,000 rides to the art building...naked boobies...and thanks for almost always being a smiling face in the scenery.

ERIN MCGAVIN: my shoulders to cry on and the hope that you won't need them...many many kisses (on the lips)...naked boobies running down the hall...many butt pinches and days when i just cant stop messing with you...you have truly become a great friend this year (that means I am there to stay).

SARAH CHANDLER: friendship without regrets or anxiety...counting crows lyrics (you know the ones)...freedom from constraints (you know the ones)...

I, Kim Peterson, of tired mind, body and soul leave the following to my lovely friends left here at this institution:

To All: I leave construction ridden campus, new rules and regulations, and the memory of a tree fallen from its glory.

To Sarah Chandler: I leave you midnight smoke breaks, endless lyrics, and all the DRAMA you can stomach for your senior year.)

To Mary-Charlotte: I leave many memories of frost-bitten fingertips and midnight serenades.

To Shannon Duncan: I will always remember our non-sense talks: "Never have I ever...eaten TOFU!" Hey Shannon, lets go to the A-P-T for a S-E-C.. haha

To Rindi Daniel: I have only one thing to say to you.... 'it 'er!!!'

To Shannamina Schrimshire: You have only a few more months you can do it. You are going to be a great teacher. I am so glad that I met you and that we have had almost EVERY SINGLE class together...geez!

Rising seniors of the Purple Knight class: Time is limited. Count everything. Forget nothing!



Pirate Darinda Daniels poses with a PK friend, Kathryn O'Kelly, outside of Corn Hall.

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To Keith Peterson: Sir, take a breath. Take life a little less seriously. Be nicer to your students and strangers. It feels better to be happy for what you have rather than angry at the world. If for nothing else, be happy to have your email back. In a few short days I will be gone and you will no longer have to bother with receiving my emails.

**I know that it is not customary to leave things to people who are graduating along-side me, but I could not help it...

To JamE McCoy: You have grown to be one of my best friends. I only regret not being able to spend more time with you this year. I know you will do great things with your life and I only hope that I will not dwindle in your memory. Please keep in touch and I will do the same.

To Lori Brown: You are my Lovey (and to air any suspicions... She is best friend, one of the only true friends I have made here at Wesleyan) We met Freshman year through that forbidden person (initials H.C.). You have been there for me for everything and for that I could not be more grateful. I have been there through your first menopause and will be there through your second.

To Kizzy Holmes: Are those glasses prescription or cosmetic...oh.... Haha. You are a trip to hang out with. Why has it taken 3 years for us to finally really hang out? It will not end after graduation.

I will end this rambling with a quote, "It's the end of the world as

we know it, and we feel fine!"

I, Joanne Sales, of frazzled mind and tired body, do hereby bequeath:

to Abbie Brannon, a lifetime supply of Pez, enough energy to survive Wesleyan, and my class spirit,

to Namita Mohanty, 5 extra hours in the day (to sleep of course!),

to Erin Ewald, the ability to go for weeks without sleep,

to Asha Smith, my love for Wesleyan and tradition,

to Chrissy Miner, the ability to make sense out of any test,

to Natalie Puckett, the perfect wedding,

to Elsa George, the keep-your-foot-out-of-your-mouth ability (it comes in handy!),

to Bethany Dale and Amanda Wood, lots of random sister gifts and happy memories,

to Jessica Spurlock, plenty of Post-It notes to remember everything you have to do next year (it will be busy!),

to Priscilla Howell, a job as Cinderella at Disney (because you are a princess),

to Bonne Boyd, food! (the kind that makes your tummy very happy!!),

to the Pirates of 2001, a lifetime of love and the desire to kick a**!!!!

Senior Wills - Jywanaya Smith
Asha

To my biological little sister—I don't really know what to leave behind. You are so much stronger, wiser, more mature, and beautiful

than I will ever be. I only hope that one day some of your strength will rub off on me. Thank you, thank you, thank you for always being there for me. I am so lucky to have you in my life and even luckier to have you at Wesleyan with me (even if you did come kicking and screaming *smile*). For you I leave behind the ability to organize, live stress-free (relatively, at least), and share many more late night chats with people you care about. Good luck finishing up here. I don't have to tell you that you will go far in life, because I think you already know that (or at least you can find an explanation somewhere in your psychology books...). Be good and I love you very much. "Sometimes I'm clueless and I'm clumsy, but I have friends who love me, and they know just where I stand. It's all a part of me, and that's who I am."

Rebecca

To my Wesleyan little sister—I leave peace of mind and happiness hereafter. We can do this whole 'graduating thing.' Let's keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best! :o) I know you will do well out there. Thank you for being such an awesome little sister, running partner, and friend. I will never forget all our times together... especially the whole marathon thing. Wow, I still cannot believe that we did it!! We just have to remember to keep active after we graduate! :o) My junior year, I was so worried about the whole big sister/little sister match-up thing. I am soo glad that we were matched together.

You are wonderful!! Good luck with everything and I love you!!

Elsa

I leave you fine men (on the big screen and in person), Chinese food, and clubbing clothes! I also leave you the knowledge of prioritizing. School comes first! :o) I love you soo much. I am so glad that we were able to get to know one another. I can honestly say that you really know how to spice things up and make a person smile (ever figured out what an 'oose' is?). Stay cool, and watch out for Asha for me! :o) I am going to miss you terribly. Best wishes with everything at Wesleyan after I am gone, and with everything in life thereafter.

Laina

To Alaina I leave, whit, sarcasm, accounting adjuncts, a karaoke machine, and bananas... lots and lots of bananas!! You sure are a trip. Thanks for making me smile. Best of luck to you in your final year— choose good classes, and I hope you are able to find a cool job with that degree afterwards! :o) I love you, chica. Take care of yourself and keep in touch!!

Namita

I leave you the ability to flirt with El Sombrero waiters (oh wait, you already know how to do that!) *smile* I also, leave you the long nights and early mornings, and the ability to come through anything with a smile, the ability to stand up to people when it's necessary, and I want to add the words "no, sorry, I can't this time" to your vocabulary. I truly do admire you and everything you do, Mo. I only hope I can be as great as you someday. Thank you for being a great friend and *clears throat* girlfriend (since we're going public now). :o) You are my heart. Take care and 'peep, peep,' from 5-2-2!!

Nisha

To my girl always at the head of the lunchroom table— I leave you sneaky phonebook-stealing-tactics, beautiful ballets, and lots of luck with family and friends in the future. Nisha, you are incredibly smart, beautiful, and funny. I know you will do fabulously with anything that you choose to do (including SGA President— but apparently you thought I was joking...), but I still wish you the best of luck. I'm so glad to be able to call you a friend. I love you girl! :o)

Vida

I leave you teeny-bopper movies and soundtracks, the WB, the math department, and another huge eraser to get through it all! Girl, you know you are my main squeeze. I am going to miss

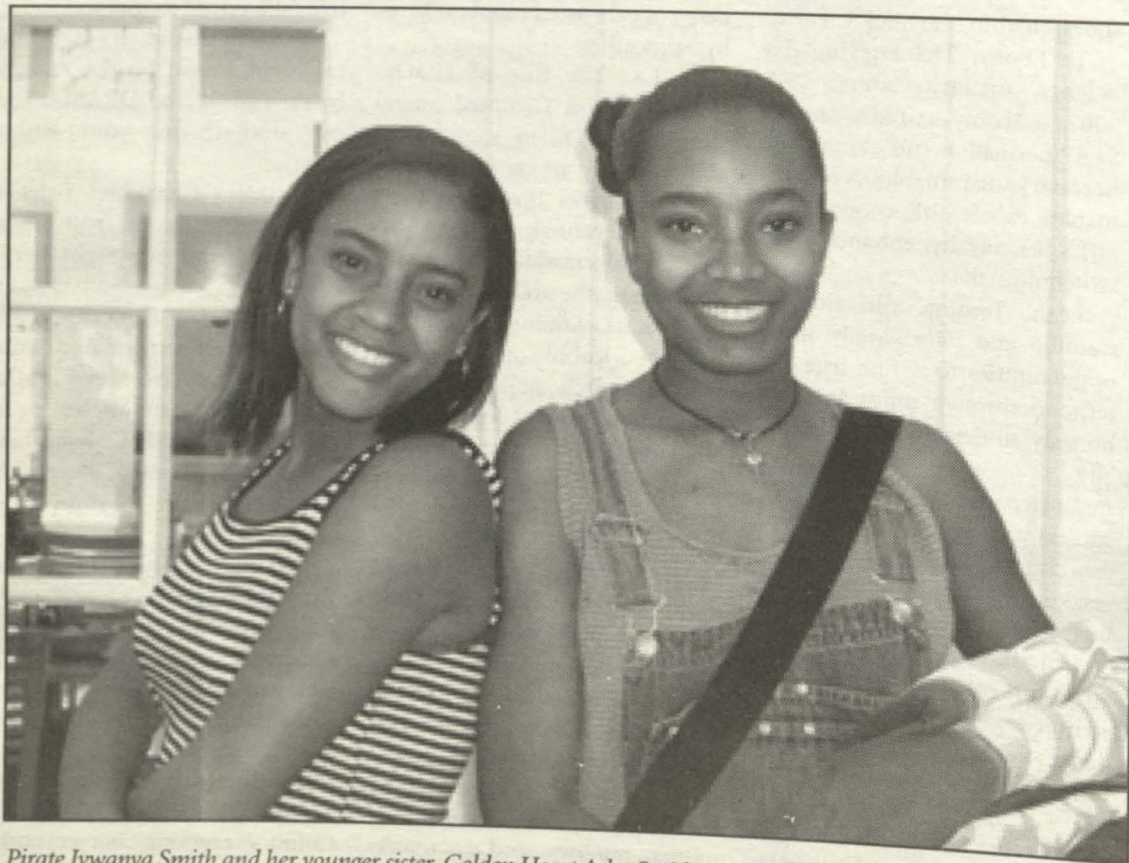
you soo very much. Thanks for being an aol im-buddy, late-night groger runner, room decorator, great friend. You are amazing! Some day Javy and 'Zap' will be playing and toss a ball your direction and fall madly in love. I will forget to invite me to the party!! Good luck in all that you do from here on out. One more year and you will be out of here too! :o) Take care and I will love you always.

Jody

To my dear sister, I leave you an iron, a bed lamp, late night room chats, wal*mart trips, eraser markers for the mirror, a variety of music, too many ties to choose from, ballet in the halls, and Joe papers (with a good period, I might add!). You are an awesome chica, Jody! I've really grown to like you this semester. I only wish I could have known you a lot longer ago. Thank you for being such an awesome friend (and suitemate). I am really going to miss hanging out, talking, and (most of all) procrastinating with you! Ha, ha! You never did get corrupt me, huh? :o) May you'll get another 'innocent little tim' next year. Good luck with your senior year and getting out of here in one piece. I hope everything in life works out to be the best for you. You really deserve it. Take care of yourself (I'm serious)! I will always love you and will miss you more than you could ever know.

Beth & Catherine

I didn't want to include you guys together, but I realized I wanted to say basically the same things to the both of you. As starters, I leave you CAB (and course) and a thank you, thank you, THANK YOU for being all with me. I certainly could not have done it without you two. You guys really made it a good experience— CAB wouldn't be where it is now without you both. I look back on NACA and think about our van ride to Nashville with Rhonda, and how we stopped to take pictures in the snow. I remember our flight to Boston and how excited we were about it. And all that we have experienced together is too much to count. Beth, I really enjoyed our late-night talk that night in Boston, along with all the other stuff. I know I told you the other day that I really value your opinion and think that you are wise beyond your years. I am so going to miss you. And Catherine, your wit and realistic thought just amuses me— and you are so cool when you are sleep deprived. Thanks for the many times you have calmed my nerves and made



Pirate Jywanaya Smith and her younger sister, Golden Heart Asha Smith, pose for picture. The Pirates will leave their Little Sisters, the Golden Hearts, to take on the responsibility of being Big Sisters to the incoming Pirate first-years.

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things appear better than they were. You are so laid back, and I needed that. For the both of you, a sincere thank you and good luck for the future. I love you guys with all of my heart, and I will miss our time that we had at Wesleyan together.

CAB
Four years... I can't believe I have been a part of CAB for four years! To my CAB members I leave a level-head, time-management, fun times, great events, PRE-planning, and BIG CAB shirts!! Thanks to every CAB member, past and present, for making CAB the absolute best that it is. When I think back on why I didn't give it up, all I can think about is you all. Your enthusiasm, zeal, and spirit make it all worthwhile, and I thank you for that. You all kept me on my toes, and kept me laughing. Good luck with everything from here on out (and BANDFEST). You all are the best, and I love you dearly. Take care of the Campus Activities Board for me... I will be back to visit, and BE A SPECTATOR—wow, what a thought! Love Always.

AKPsi
I leave you convos, conferences, picnics, park clean-ups, conferences, and more conferences!! You guys are awesome! Thanks for the memories. I have really enjoyed being your brother and will forever miss the Nu Omega chapter. Good luck with everything, and I hope AKPsi can find me a job when I leave this place!! Take care and remember, AKPsi—we work hard, but we play harder!! ;o) Love yah!

Pirates 01
Even after I sent the email, I decided that I couldn't write to every Pirate that has meant something to me. I love you all, and I would be bound to leave someone out... I can't believe that we have come so far as a class. I think back to my first year and my days on Wortham First. What a time!! You guys remember the stories as well as do... I will never forget them and still think back on them and chuckle. I also think about my Jones 1st and Jones 2nd days, STUNT, Homecoming, CANCUN!! the first year retreat, partying, class sports (ha!), the good times, and the bad times. No matter what, we have always stuck together. I look back and think of all of the Pirates who aren't here anymore, and the ones that I miss terribly. I know I will miss all of you the same. Thank you all for sticking it out with me. I would not dream of being a part of any other class. You guys are, and forever will be my sisters, and I

thank you for that. I love you guys!! I know I said I wouldn't, but I am going to cry my eyes out at graduation. In closing, I would like to leave this line for you... "oh yeah! life goes on. long after four years, of loving is gone. Oh yeah! Life goes on. Long after wesleyan, we will live on, we walk on!" Thank you for the experience of a lifetime.

Angel Stark, of EXTREMELY tired mind and abused body (which will hopefully be rejuvenated after I depart from Wesleyan), I leave my little sister Trace the ability to find as great of a little sister as you are to me. One that is willing to compete with you in fart contests. =)

To my other little sister, Jess, I leave you the ability to be able to handle any attitude thrown your way, either on the court or off the court. I also leave you late night cuddles on the front seat with your basketball pillow and your little sister. One more important thing, I leave you all my past dating experiences. =)

"That Nigga Tigga," I leave you the ability to continue your street ball talents. I also leave you the ability to continue making the girls scream your name! ("Oh, Tigga").

"E," (my pretend girlfriend) I leave you many late nights at Steak and Shake to bitch about you know who and you know what. I leave you the ability to pick up strange men in K-Mart (who don't know when to stop calling). Finally, I leave you the decision-making process of knowing when to take that unbelievable talent of yours somewhere else. Tell Mom, big Cecil, little Cecil, and Cameron, keep up the fan section!!!!

Chicken-head, or is it nothing head? Whichever it may be, I leave you all the nonsense, sometimes-deep conversations that we had!!! May you take from it what you can. Happy belated birthday!!!

Jr., I leave you the ability to get through pointless hours of practice ("Hmmm, here is another drill I made up," or "Ok guys, tomorrow I want you to be on time for practice.")

Herman, I leave you all the late night walks, climbing of trees, and deep conversations.

Priscilla (AKA Silla), words can't express the love I have for you and our friendship. Thanks for being there for me through those certain decisions. You are going to be missed. But remember I'll be right down the road.

Tay-Tay, I leave you all the smoke-breaks and the hours and

hours of women discussions.

Darinda, I leave you all the pinches on the bare-ass that you can handle.

Coach Brunel, I leave you the ability to find another player who will give you as much hell as I did!!!!!!

Carter, I leave you the ability to be a GOOD coa_ _ _ never mind

TQ (Tiqua), I leave you all the perverted, yet funny conversations that we always seemed to have.

T (Tracy M.), I leave you the ability to use the word dog at the end of each sentence as many times as you like without having someone pick on you!!! ("Hold up dog!")

Lindsey-poo, I leave you all the CD burners, CD-ROM video's along with the questions, and laughs that one can handle.

Spanky (you know who you are), I leave you the ability to find someone with my capability of whistling at you.

Kimmers, I leave you May term of 2000. Need I say more? I love you man.

Lori-Heather, I leave you the ability to find another girl as hot as me that will be able to flirt with you as well as I do!! =)

J, my soon to be roommate, we've come a long way baby!!! I'm glad we made it through all the stormy moments. Love ya.

Bagby, you are God's gift to mankind and my best friend. No matter where we are, know that you can pick up the phone and call and we will pick up where we left. You will be greatly missed, but not forgotten.

To everybody that I may have forgotten, but not on purpose, I leave you the ability to get



Graduating Senior Andrea Morgan talks with PK April Prince and a visiting music professor during lunch in the Olive Swann Porter cafeteria.

through all the bittersweet moments that Wesleyan will throw your way. May you come out of it all without losing your sanity.

Finally, to my fellow classmates, the POWERFUL Pirates . . . It seems like just yesterday we were going through orientation and getting to know everyone, or at least their faces. We've been through hell and back . . . From not knowing the ropes around campus, to getting little sisters, to being accused of not knowing what sisterhood is about and finally to graduation. Wow!!!! What a long road we've traveled. No matter where everyone may land, know that you are in my heart and you will always be my sisters. See ya next year during the Pirate Homecoming!!! I love you guys.

I, Keyara "Chanel" Thomas, would like to disperse of my assets as follows:

My Fellow Pirates, WE DID

IT... WE FINISHED... but this is just the beginning of a new chapter in each of your lives. So... establish a strong a foundation and build upon your beliefs and strengths. Use your talent to compensate for your weaknesses. When you reflect upon your past, I hope it includes the memories we created and shared here at Wesleyan. I love you all and DON'T FORGET ME!!!!!!

Courtney Jones, I leave to you my faith in God, my ability to laugh at my mistakes, and SENIORITIS!!! Please look forward to your senior year. It's going to be your last opportunity at Wesleyan to make memories which will always have a place in your heart. Good luck next year.

Audrey Bey and Nicole D'Angelo, To you both your inheritance package includes the following: 3 Micheal Jackson CDs, 2 cases of Ramen noodles, 2 one-way tickets to Hollywood, and \$100 for your fall semester book expenses. I am going to miss



Graduating friends Lori Brown and Kim Peterson share a special moment of bonding during mealtime. In just a few weeks, these moments between Pirates of 2001 at Wesleyan will be gone forever.

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you girls dearly. Good luck as you enter your final year at Wesleyan. Enjoy this last span of time, for there will be a myriad of things to accomplish but such time to complete everything will be inadequate.

Marlisa Lewis, Teira Wallace, Tera Nowlin, Elisa Ladson, 'Tigga', Jessica Smith, Arletha Williams, and Yo-yo, each of you possess the potential and skills to rise above all adversary. Utilize the talent and ability you possess. Establish your goals, aim high, remain focused, and do not give up until you are satisfied with your accomplishments. I love each of you. We've all learned a lot about working together and throughout this short span of time we've established lifelong friendships. I'm anticipating great things from each you. Good luck with your future endeavors. I know the PIONEER BASKETBALL TEAM is awesome (so don't settle for less)!!!!

April Patterson, I leave to you the spirit of contentment. You're special and you know it. Maintain your grounds and beliefs. Do not allow anyone or anything to persuade or prohibit you from accomplishing your goals. Love ya lots...

Danielle White, I leave to you all my athletic ability (that isn't much of an asset, huh). You have such a sense of humor and it's all good. Laughter makes the heart grow fonder and happiness allows for contentment. Your final years at Wesleyan are going to be challenging, I'm not going to say it's all milk and cookies, however the memories you create now will be reflected upon for the remainder of your life. Make the best of it.

Ebony Roberts and Andrea Clark, to you young ladies I leave my dance skills (ha, ha) and all my extra energy (for certainly you're going to need additional energy throughout your senior year). Aim high and do not stop until you have accomplished and obtained your heart's desire. It's your last year at Wesleyan--enjoy

it and cherish it forever.

Danielle Brinson, My cousin 'Carl Thomas' advised me to leave you my autograph. By all means you know I'm going to be famous and such. So don't lose this... it's going to be worth millions within the next two years or so.

Bri', Chris, Shennel, Regina, and Ki-ki, I leave to you ladies my advice: Stay away from those hard-headed boys. Wesleyan is what you make of it. Terminate all methods of Procrastination. Treat others as you so desire to be treated. Love yourself and nourish the qualities you possess. Keep the faith. Always Progress, never allow yourself to Regress. Best wishes next year and always strive for perfection.

Green Knights, To each of you I leave my wisdom and perseverance. The hardest year has been completed. At Wesleyan, you have now been granted the opportunity to create the best years of your life. Speak your mind, stand your grounds, and enjoy the sisterhood. There are so many opportunities out there and it is up to each of you, individually or collectively, to seize them upon encounterance. Good luck and always reach for the stars. Do not be afraid to take risks, the worst result would be failure, and you've all experienced that one time or another. ONE LOVE.

Dr. Phil Taylor, I leave to you a well established portfolio. Although not as intelligent (yet) and professional as you, I have acquired the necessary skills to embark into the future with success on my agenda. Thanks for all the advice and supervision during my years at Wesleyan. I'm going to miss your classes and the random visits to your office for advice on financial ratio analysis. By the way, when you see my picture in Fortune Magazine remember you had positive influence on this young entrepreneur.

Professor Dod, My goodness, I'm at the end of inventory. It was necessary to save the most valuable asset for the most worthy individual. I've learned a myriad

as a result of taking your business courses. Most importantly, I gained exposure to the essential aspects of business and life in general. Yes, I must admit the workload you required was tedious. However, now I can truly say it was worth all the stress and tears. I greatly appreciate your guidance and leadership. Stay sweet and savvy.

I, Erica Vural, of semi-sound mind and body leave the following things to people who have made Wesleyan what it has become for me. To Peavey, I to leave the ability to light a fart on fire, although I hear it's really dangerous, so let's not try that one at home. I leave you a boyfriend I won't flirt with and a lifetime supply of nicotine patches, skittles and hot tamales... by the way you are a hot tamale and everybody does think you're sexy. To Renee, I leave a giant Band-Aid to cover your arm and a handful of deep theological discussions, inebriated or not because God understands. Ha.. so we're gonna be ministers still right? Rendi, I leave someone to make out with, not sex though because that's just way too much work. To Mary Charlotte and Stefanie Bethel, I leave the sound of Fernando calling our names during roll, Ay Papi, say it again! To Rachel E., I leave un chalupa grande filled with 100% BEEF and a healthy dose of sarcasm.. oh wait you've already got that. To Stewie, I leave rumors of our affair even though everybody knows that you can't date people with your name, that's just stupid now isn't it? To Jamila, I leave a detachable head for when it gets really heavy. To Nikki Prince, I leave a tight, slutty outfit, a name tag so people will stop calling you Wanda, a make out session with Scott that doesn't include a mouth full of crackers, a band as talented as you, and the acknowledgment that there's a lot of stuff in between .. are you with me still? To Katie Taylor, I leave my gratefulness for your kindness,

my ability to fake self-confidence and a non-challant attitude (and by the way, how the heck do you spell challant? My computer says it's not a word. Hmm..), sleeping pills and the ability to say no before it kills you, and um well a key for your "box". Ps, I vote you the most amazing, intelligent, fun to be around, kind and beautiful person I've met here. To Michael McKinney, I leave a performance I don't screw up and the ability to get drunk and forget how old you are.. job shmob, career shmear.. that's what I say. To Shannon Duncan I leave the triumph of our ability to not talk about it for maybe 5 minutes, a couple hundred camel lights.. special ones, the world's best hug, a slap in the face for those times when you don't want to do something you'll regret and a thank you for the times when I've don't things I've regretted and you made me feel better. I leave you videotape footage with evidence of our deviance, a how to dance instruction booklet for the day you decide to let loose.. it's coming soon, I can feel it and of course anti-cat yet pro-kitten performance art. I leave Sarah Chandler, AKA captain consequence, glasses to look sexy in and dark haired girls in glasses to look sexy for you, a Britney Spears marathon, and the sense to realize that she's not talented and they're fake, bite sized cookie dough and double dipped chocolate peanuts.. lifetime supply, a dark room you don't have to sneak in to, my pimp mobile that loves you so much, my incredibly superior taste in music, the ability to fart in front of anyone (did I already mention farting in this thing.. haha that's too bad), the three-some you're always trying to get from people.. it'll happen one day.. "hey me too, right guys???".. that one's for.. oh wait, maybe I shouldn't say... but if cabin walls could talk.. wait, maybe they can.. is that why everyone was staring at us funny? I leave you at least one more good roll... I guess I leave that to few people. I leave

you the ability to make decisions the ability to let go of fear remember that you are personified! I leave you power never let you read. To everyone here, thank you for being part of my two years here, I wish I could stay longer but I know I don't want to pay anyone later skaters xoxoxoxo, Erica

I, Alfreida Wilson, of an exhausted body and mind, an impaired brain, do hereby bequeath the following:

- To Etta Mae, I bestow a quarter quart of motor oil and a key to see me through another semester.

- To members of Apt 2, I leave a big, sinkful of dishes and a vow to leave guys in peace.

- To members of Apt 2, I leave the recliner "sniff", "I like it" and the TV remote.

- To the English professor, I leave a lot of thanks and the

- please, give me a good reference.

- To the ragtag bunch of procrastinators, Sandy and Dolores, I leave a night full of the soul, the remote clicking and swearing. Please tell me its not that late can't write this paper! I hate class! Plus, I leave you guys a night of "lock your doors, I took a wrong turn" and tearing through the ghetto and suburban neighborhoods.

- To Jessica D., I leave the ability to make a decision and a key for your success.

-To Karenne and Jen Calhoun, I leave peace, love, and soul. Oh, yeah and the request for a future loan, Doc.

-To Vicki, I leave a lifetime of understanding.

- To Julia T., I leave the promise that I'm coming to Savannah! And I will party!

-Lastly, to my family, I leave a tankful of gas and a coconuts. Yes, I can be generous, but call me on it.

Goodbye Pirates of '01!

Best wishes from those of us at The Pioneer

Pirates, All the way!

What it feels like for an International student

A little bit about the shock, the food, the lesbians, and other things

by Rada Angelova

Have you all heard of Madonna's latest single "What it feels like for a girl?" This interview is about showing "What it feels like for an international student...at Wesleyan."

Here is what one of our Wesleyan sisters, whose name will be kept private, and I chatted about on a sunny, hot afternoon: "Tell me, what made you go study abroad?"

"Back home I was supposed to go to Med School cause my parents wanted me to, so I just felt like doing something different. You know, meeting different people, being at other places so, I guess, that's why I started taking my tests and everything."

Did you experience cultural shock once you came here?

"Oh, yeah. I wasn't expecting anything. Starting from the heat, and the food, and the people, you know. It was just everything."

What did you do to overcome the shock?

"I started to freak out, which was not a good thing, you know, to overcome the cultural shock. I didn't pretty much do anything. I think I just got adjusted to it."

Tried to make friends maybe?

"Yeah."

You said that people shocked

you. What shocked you about them?

"They are different. I think they are more superficial. At the beginning they seemed funny, smiling, going "Hi", and in Europe they don't go saying "Hi" on the street. But they are not profound. I mean, in Europe, if you have a friend, you know it's your friend. Here everybody says "Hi" and smiles to you, but it's not like being a friend."

Some of the international students I have talked to have told me that lesbians were a part of their cultural shock. Where they a shock for you too?

"Yeah. You know, back home you don't really see any of these same sex relationships, like they don't really show it. I mean, I am sure there are. I think that being at a women's college only emphasizes it cause you don't really see that much at a co-ed college. Yes, at first it was strange for me to see everything, but, I mean, I don't have anything against them."

Did you know any lesbians back home?

"No, I didn't."

Do you have lesbian friends now on campus?

"Yeah."

Do you have women's colleges at home?

"No."

How do you feel at a women's college?

"Now I got used to it, but when I came here I felt strange. Like when I was back home I was thinking 'Oh, my God, I am going to a women's college.' Then I just said to myself 'It can't be that bad, you know. It will be ok.'"

Why did you pick a women's college in the first place?

"Well, I didn't quite pick it. I sent applications to a lot of colleges, and I didn't know anything about them the moment I sent them. I was just judging by the scholarship they sent me or by who responded to me or were nice. You know Lianne, she used to write me like every week and tell me everything about Wesleyan and respond immediately. It was nice. I felt good."

Did coming to a women's college raise your awareness about feminism and gay/lesbian issues?

"No, I had these issues before coming here. Like I was for it and everything, but I think I see more of it here. I do. I guess it's good, though."

Have you changed in some ways since you came here?

"Yes, I guess I am more tolerant?"

More tolerant to what?

"To every single thing. I was a single child. I had always lived at

home. I had a nanny until I was 18, so I never used to do anything. When I got here, I was by myself in my room. So yes, I did change. But I think it's better."

What kind of friends do you have? Do you have many American friends?

"If you look at my good friends, they are all international. But I can't say. I don't know."

Is there something that you would like to see different—food, people, classes, whatever?

"Classes, no. I like the school. I think the school is fine. First when I got here, the campus is so small; I was getting frustrated to see the same people every day. But now I kind of like it because you get to know everybody, and it just feels good to know to say "Hi", and just feel that you know the people. You don't get that at a big university. And the food, yes, I miss European food. I do."

Do you have any impression from your own experience and your interaction with other international students that you as a group need something but that need is not met?

"Yeah. Most of the time they complain about food. Like the vegetarians and everything, they don't have enough diversity. They only have salad and veggie burgers. And they don't even have like

kitchens or something where you can go and cook."

What do you think about the transportation issue?

"I think it was bad last semester, but now I think it's getting better with the shuttle. Like I heard a lot of people are taking the shuttle and going to the mall and the movies, you know. It's a good thing."

After you left your country and you lived somewhere else for awhile do you feel different about your country?

"I felt a bit different when I went home. Like...let's say some things that would annoy me two year ago or something..."

Things like what?

(laughing) "I went to this New Year's Eve party and during the party we went to this bar. It was just a horrible, little, stinky bar, you know. Some drunk people were singing this folk song, and I was so happy to hear them. I was like 'Oh, my Gosh. This is so nice!'"

You've learned to appreciate things more?

"Yeah, I do appreciate them more."

So, would you recommend to your friends to go study abroad?

"Oh, yes, definitely."

Net Search:

Graduate schools and studies

Continuing in the effort to inform and educate the Wesleyan community, The Pioneer staff searches the net to bring our readers sites of interest. This month, we looked for graduate information.

GRE and MCAT Test Preparation Site
<http://www.allaboutgradschool.com>

General Grad School Information I
<http://www.gradschools.com>

General Grad School Information II
<http://www.gradview.com>

Virtual Campus Tours of Grad Schools
<http://www.campustours.com>

2001 Graduate School Rankings
<http://www.usnews.com/usnews/edu/beyond/bcrank.htm>

How To Succeed in Graduate School
<http://www.acm.org/crossroads/xrds1-2/advice1.html>

The Intern's Corner

It all happened on Mulberry Street

by Jennifer Jenkins

Mulberry Street, a street made famous by a children's book about a little boy's imagination really does exist in Downtown Macon. This Mulberry Street is accentuated by well-tended flowers and just like the Mulberry Street in the famous children's story, one would be surprised about what can be seen and done on Macon's very own Mulberry Street.

It was on March 28, 2001 that Dr. Ellington and I took a trip off campus to help score writings done by the students of the Bibb County Public School System for a county wide writing contest. All

ages, from kindergarten to twelfth grade had participated by submitting original compositions that showcased their understanding of mechanic, their imagination, and their creativity among other things.

Evaluating these writings was right in line with what my internship normally entails except for what Dr. Ellington and I usually evaluate are the writings of college students, which means we only get to read essays.

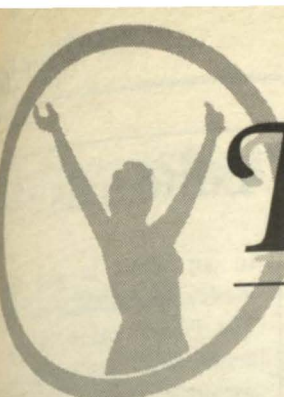
On this particular day we broke free of routine and read the stories and poems of kindergartners, first graders, and fourth graders. Instead of it being

a chore, we were continually delighted by the things we read, by the wit, by the innocence, and by the originality of each composition. It was pure fun and inspirational to find that the spirit of Mulberry Street, the spirit of childhood and imagination was alive. If we could have, we would have stayed longer, read more, but other duties beckoned, and then the contest was over.

Still, I urge any of you whenever or if ever you are downtown to seek out Mulberry Street, and I bet you that you too will return with a story.

Bandfest 2001





Terrorism affects Wesleyan

by Libby Garrett

The tragedy that befell the United States on September 11, 2001, affected the Wesleyan students in a variety of ways. Emotions ranged from fear of continuing attack, to grief from the loss of loved ones, and anger over why such a terrible event could occur.

While some students were able to feel a great sigh of relief upon learning that their family or friends made it out safely, several were not so lucky, including one student who lost three family members in both the World Trade Center and the Pentagon bombings. She remembers her mother calling her at nine AM, telling her the Trade Center had been hit. Her cousin was one of the first confirmed dead, a friend who happened to be a paramedic. Later the student learned that her cousin and cousin-in-law were included in the casualties at the Pentagon. Another family friend is missing and presumed dead. When she first heard, the student felt "a great deal of shock because I knew my cousin should

not be at work that day because it was her anniversary."

Other students, including sophomore McKinzie Beitz, were shocked by the news and scared for family members as well. Beitz was listening to the radio on her way to the art building when she heard the news. As she listened, she realized "Oh my gosh, this is bigger than just accidents," and felt "very scared for my dad because he was supposed to go to Detroit" via plane. Fortunately, the plane rescheduled. Another friend of the family escaped disaster since he decided to postpone a meeting at the Pentagon.

Martha Smith, sophomore, experienced shock similar to Beitz when she returned to her room after class and saw a notice left on her board from her roommate instructing her to watch CNN. Smith's first sight "was two smoking buildings. After that 'I just watched without knowing, and I found tears streaming down my face, and I never cry.'"

At first the impact of what she was seeing seemed unreal, but as she contemplated the people inside the collapsing buildings, the situation became suddenly clear.

"Everywhere it was chaos, but you're watching from the television. Everything around you is fine, but something close to you is being shattered," she said. The complete sense of grief was hard to cement, because "you can't pinpoint your sorrow when it's a building; you can't direct your anger."

Freshman and international student from Jordan, Shada El-Sharif, felt disbelief at the news she watched while gathered with her friends in one room. Later, her parents called and asked her to keep a low profile and stay on campus so that she would not be subjected to abuse. She believes that "one shouldn't be forced to hide a faith," but acknowledged the stereotypes that caused many people, although none on campus, to lash out at those who are of Arab decent or merely seem to be Arab. A Muslim, El-Sharif is "proud of my culture, proud of our peaceful views," and wishes that the American media would talk "about the Muslim or Arab organizations that are helping, that are trying to contribute in some way."

Throughout the ordeal, those interviewed believe that the

Wesleyan staff, faculty, and the sense of sisterhood on the campus have proved instrumental in bringing relief to those suffering from grief and fear over the attack. Two people in particular - Tamara Martin and Rev. Bill Hurdle - were mentioned repeatedly as being extremely caring and helpful. The Candle Light Vigil also helped with the hurt. After losing her three cousins, a student needed a way to release the pain, and she is "very grateful to Natalie and the rest of SGA for pulling together the Candle Light Vigil because I think we needed it. I think we find strength in each other, especially at a time when we need each other like that." Beitz liked everyone "being there for each other - that's what sisterhood is about." A student believes that "I couldn't have made it through the past two weeks without the support of my friends and sisters." The recent convocation on terrorism provided a forum for discussing concerns and fears, and Smith and El-Sharif found it extremely informative and productive.

Fears for the future range from Smith's concern for the economy and the effect in the financial

world to Beitz's prediction of war. El-Sharif thinks "it would be refreshing to find a solution peacefully," but most acknowledge that more innocents in the future will have to pay the price for the terrorist acts. However, all is not grim. All four students believe that some good will surface from the attack. Smith believes "this patriotism is comforting. We are a strong nation." Beitz feels the attack will bring a new sense of camaraderie, since everyone is "going to watch out for each other a little more. People are going to see we're not the immortal America. Things can happen to us that are bad, but we can get through it. People will survive." One student mirrors Beitz belief of a strong nation when saying it was a "terrible tragedy, but I really feel that our country is strong enough and good enough to pull through this... I see nothing less of us." When asked of a positive aspect of the attack, the same student simply stated, "I see our nation was so divided none of that matters anymore. We're not black, white, male, female, gay, straight, we're all Americans."

CAB College Week a Success

by Marnai Boose

Who could have asked for more? Step shows, food, movies, and mixers - all were great hits for CAB's first ever College Week, which lasted from Monday, September 17, to Friday, September 21, 2001. "We [CAB] wanted to incorporate a variety of events for our diverse college community and mainly wanted students to meet other Macon area college students if they so desired or to simply enjoy activities with their Wesleyan friends," said Catherine O'Kelley, President of the Campus Activity Board. And incorporate variety they did!

CAB's College Week, 2001, started off with a bang as fraternities and sororities from Fort Valley State University put on an astounding step show. More than 300 Wesleyan students gathered in



Fraternities and sororities from Fort Valley State University put on a step show for Wesleyan students during the Campus Activities Board's (CAB) College Week. It was only one of the activities planned with other colleges to give Wesleyan students the chance to mingle off-campus.

Anderson Dining Hall on Monday night to cheer on the steppers, and it seemed that all had a wonderful time. "We had a huge turnout this year at the College Week Step-

show, which always proves to be an exciting event. CAB was really pleased with the amount of participation from Wesleyan students," says Jodi Miller, a member of CAB.

The fun did not stop there; on Tuesday, more than 70 students participated in "A Taste of Downtown." Beginning around 5:00 in the afternoon and lasting until 10:00 that night, A Taste of Downtown took place in front of the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame and the Georgia Music Hall of Fame. Besides a great deal of wonderful food, there were a number of bands that added to the atmosphere. Miller says, "This is my first year that I went to this event and I was amazed by the selection of good food! As someone who really did not appreciate the variety of restaurants that are offered in this area, the Taste of Downtown definitely changed my mind."

On Wednesday, the festivities continued with a Movie on the Quad that was not quite as on the quad as had originally been planned. Because of disagreeable weather, the Movie on the Quad was moved inside to the Taylor

Amphitheater. "Despite the changes," remarks Catherine O'Kelley, "quite a few students [did] view the movie, and even more students [did] enjoy the free popcorn and cotton candy!"

After a free day, CAB's College Week wrapped up on Friday with a Wesleyan/Mercer Mixer. The mixer, which lasted from 7:30 to 8:30, featured the Kichafoonee Cowboys Band and took place on Mercer's quad. While the turnout was not quite as expected, there were a good deal of students who did attend the event, and the attendees seemed to enjoy themselves. The night was, according to Amanda Wood, "a great opportunity to meet other college students in the area."

The words of Jodi Miller seem to mirror the thoughts of many: "In my opinion, our first College Week was a great success! Thanks to all the students who participated!"

Macon Telegraph article disappointing

by LaRhanda McTizic

To say that I was disappointed with the article that ran in the September 16, 2001 edition of the *Macon Telegraph* would be a understatement. In fact, I am more than disappointed by it. This article did little more the profile the successes, and failures of our current president, Dr. Nora Kizer Bell.

When I first heard about this article I was ecstatic. My initial reaction was that Wesleyan would finally stop being seen as the perfect women's college for almost every young lady who wanted to attend. Of course those dreams were crushed when the article came out.

My second thought was, "Wow, at least this article won't be highlighted and placed in the profile case." I still haven't seen it around Public Relations.

So now the question of what to say arises.

While many people would say nothing due to the possible repercussions, I prefer to speak my mind. Besides, why shouldn't I. As the President of the Wesleyan Alumnae Association said in a response letter to the *Macon Telegraph*, "... you can ask a question of anyone on campus and they

are quick to give their opinions."

So, here goes my well-thought-out opinion and believe me, I've been thinking about this long before that article came out.

For the sake of space, my editorial will mostly respond to the three letters to the editor which addressed the opinions and or concerns felt after the *Telegraph* article was published. However, for those who did not read Jean Carey's lengthy article, I recommend you obtain a copy at your local Macon library.

The first letter that was printed came the following Sunday, September 23. In it Ms. Virginia Dicken stated that she was misquoted. How surprising! Well, not really. If Ms. Dicken made any such statement I am sure it wasn't something she would say on the record.

However, being the small-knit "Wesleyan Family" that Dr. Bell says we are, then I think we should all know better. In fact, I personally know Virginia and I believe her when she says she was misquoted.

The second letter was received on Tuesday, September 25, 2001 from the current president of the Wesleyan College Alumnae Association, Anne Hughes. This particular letter couldn't have thrown me into any more disarray.

Ms. Hughes made statements

about the turnover rate at Wesleyan College. In it she compared Wesleyan to other colleges, universities and even businesses and corporations. Her remarks, simply stated, meant that other colleges and universities had a similar turnover rate to that of this past summers and that it was increasingly common. Since when did Wesleyan become like everyone else?

Besides, while this may be justifiable to her, rationalizing peoples' expendability is unacceptable anywhere. This should be particularly true here where we are all a "Wesleyan Family."

So to Ms. Hughes statements on the turnover rate which occurred last year (thirteen teachers left; unprecedented in recent Wesleyan history,) I will simply reference a little note. This particular note was given to anyone who questioned the students who wore a purple armband with the number thirteen for thirteen consecutive days.

It said: "13 professors won't be in class today, tomorrow or ever again. More than numbers, these people were advisors, confidants, mentors, buddies, colleagues, allies, rivals and friends. No one in the Wesleyan family should be expendable."

I know that without many of the teachers who left, I wouldn't be here

today. In fact, I wouldn't even be the person who sits writing this now.

Second, Ms. Hughes remarked that student and faculty opinion would be received when asked. At this I both laugh and scoff.

I don't know if Ms. Hughes is unaware or just out of touch with the average student, but I do know that her statement couldn't be any further from what I have observed.

When people ask my opinion of Wesleyan, my response is always a well-thought-out and temperate one. At the job that I work many people come in and out and ask me about my school. My answer tends to be, "Wesleyan has its problems...."

Now if this has been important to Wesleyan, unbeknownst to me, they would receive this response. If they were willing to listen.... I could recite a thirty minute diatribe.

In a similar vein, if Dr. Bell, Dean Crisp, Dr. Leake or any well-known administrator were to ask me what I feel about Wesleyan it's another story. A simple shrug, a slight frown and the common place, "It's okay." If pressed for more I would absently search for things that I liked about it. By the way, that list has gotten shorter since my freshmen year.

Another point made by Ms. Anne Hughes is about STUNT weekend. The annual Faculty Follies she references were not graced by President Bell my freshman year. I distinctly remember nearly passing out from laughter after hearing the faculty sing, "What Nora wants, Nora gets." Interestingly enough the President of our college has taken a keen interest in getting involved since that year.

As a school we hardly deserve an apology. As a unknown person once said, "the truth hurts."

By the last letter to the editor I

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was surprised. C. B. Austin's profound statement towards the paper gives me hope. "Hopefully the voice of our newspaper is not being compromised by the influence of advertisers or other community leaders." No newspaper's voice should be beholden by money or power.

The Macon Telegraph is our community paper. Just as Wesleyan taps into the community for money, so should a reader be able to tap into the *Telegraph* for unbiased information. That should not be compromised.

We at Wesleyan feared this would happen last year. However, as things worked out we all learned some boundaries are not to be crossed.

I do agree with something President Bell said in the original article. The one thing I have always maintained is true. In it she states, "What really matters is the students. That's our business." How true that is. Now if only they would "open their eyes," in the words of C. B. Austin, "and take note of the current state of affairs at the college." The students are unhappy.

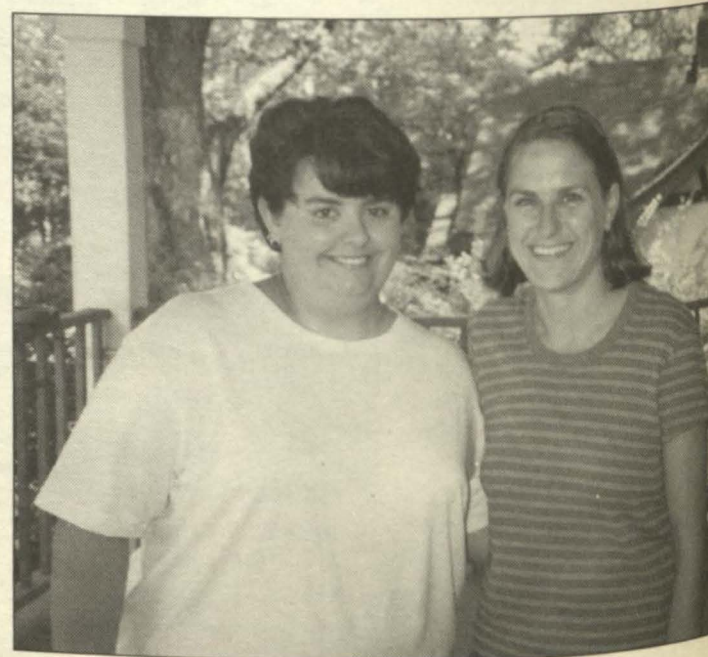
Teachers, friends, gone

by Synita Pryor

Last May, I had the rare opportunity of participating in commencement services. One of the long-held traditions of this historic school is for graduating students to parade between the faculty and staff they have spent probably a full four years getting to know. I was there. A train of black, purple, and white maneuvered with quiet dignity between familiar faces. Although I was not graduating, I could feel the strong symbolism. The Class of 2001 was moving on to the next stage of their lives, leaving behind a treasure of memories supposedly with the professors who taught them. This upcoming May, I will also have the honor of being one of those marchers, but will instead journey in the midst of unknown faces. I can say with absolute certainty that almost every professor that I have formed a bond with is no longer employed here (with the exception of Frazer Lively). Dr. David Hitchcock, undoubtedly possessing one of the warmest smiles, would brightly announce

"Estrella," which is my nickname in Spanish, every time we passed. Dr. Priscilla Danheiser introduced me to a restaurant downtown that I have since fallen in love with. I could always depend on her for honest advice and tokens of wisdom. I still keep and reread the "Space Traders" chapter Dr. Joseph Roidt handed out in introductory sociology from my freshman year. Not only an exceptional teacher, he was one of the professors who kept my head up in the midst of an incredibly trying year as Black Student Alliance president. Dr. James Rowan (or just Jim) is the only one I could ask about his lobotomy (this is a joke). He was not merely interested in whether or not I attended graduate school. The list does not end with these four professors. I am sure that many seniors have equally cherished sentiments with our missing faculty (and thus the silent protest). Dr. Danheiser and I can still have our long lunches, but everyone else has relocated several states away. Telephone calls and e-mail can never replace a good old-fashioned in-person discussion. I will feel strange walking the same line as my big sisters Alicia

Ogletree, Class of 2001, and Esther Celestin, Class of 2000, but not being able to experience that same sense of accomplishment and gratitude as they did passing the faces they have seen so regularly over the years. I have lost people who brought out the best in me, even if it was by jumping on top of desks after consuming too much coffee in order to explain some unfamiliar physiological concept. I have lost people who convinced me that thinking narrow will never be fulfilling, like Joe who seemed equally frustrated in not developing his full potential here. Although I have heard so many arguments from so many sides about our missing faculty, the important issue cannot be resolved. Individuals can be replaced, but personalities cannot. Although I regret not having much of an opportunity to connect with our new faculty members, I hope that they are given enough outlets to help keep them here. Students, whether it is openly admitted or not, are depending on you. Although I am experiencing a senior year marked by significant loss, I would not wish such a fate on any of the upcoming students.



Senior Purple Knight, Bria Andrew, poses with former professor of Psychology, Dr. Camille Buckner. Dr. Buckner left the Wesleyan community over the summer and currently teaches at Frostburg State University in Maryland with her husband and former Wesleyan professor of Philosophy, Dr. Jeff Prudhomme.

Terrorists misrepresent Muslim faith

by Shada El-Sharif

After the horrific attacks that were carried out on September 11, certain facets of faith were looked upon with disapproving glares. Such was the reaction that Islam faced in light of these heart-breaking events. This was a religion put under the spotlight and faced with a flood of speculation. What exactly is Islam all about? What are its major principles?

Islam is an Arabic word that means "to surrender." In effect, to be a Muslim means to surrender to the will of God, or Allah. The word Islam also comes from the same root that the word "peace" comes from in Arabic language. It is no wonder, then, that the true Islamic way of life is a peaceful and peace-promoting one. People who lived a thousand years ago would find it extremely ironic that such a religion is being linked today to a thing like terrorism and violence.

Muslims derive their laws and principles from their Holy Book, the Quran. It is believed that the Quran is God's final message to humanity borne by His Prophet Mohammad. The Quran complements the contents of both the Christian and Jewish Holy Scriptures. This Holy Book acknowledges all the prophets preceding Mohammed, including Jesus Christ and Moses, promoting utmost appreciation and respect

for these Holy figures. The Quran is a comprehensive collection of laws that help in organizing social, political and economic aspects of life. Muslims seek it for accounts of past civilizations and clues for the future. The Quran is also filled with examples of scientific implications which have been supported by modern day science. One such example is the description of the sea and its various levels of density. The Quran's Holy words are recited by one billion Muslims worldwide, 6 million in the US, echoing the same messages it did more than a thousand years ago.

Few are the things, however, that are free of misconception. It seems one of the most common misconceptions about Islam concerns the "Jihad", or in English, striving. Jihad is a general term that applies to the various aspects of life. Going to school and striving to learn is a form of Jihad. Going to basketball practice and striving to be a better athlete is another form of Jihad. Reading is Jihad, eating healthy is Jihad, and so is working. As you can see, Jihad means striving for the best and fighting the wrong in the world, in addition to the wrong within. Jihad in no way means attacking a populace or race, and inflicting pain upon innocent people. Muslims, like any nation, do fight their enemies in situations of war, where the conditions are known and understood by both sides. A

Muslim can fight in self-defense, but never initiates violence for the sake of violence; to do so is to sin. To live a peaceful, tolerant life, that is true Islam.

As a way of life, Islam permeates a Muslim's activities. For example, all able Muslims are prompted to give a portion of their profits to the poor, according to laws and percentages set forth by the Quran and Sunnah (the Prophet's teachings). That is not to say that Muslims are not encouraged to give charity in any other ways. Another pillar of faith is the pilgrimage to Mecca that Muslims are required to carry out at least once in a lifetime, should they be physically and financially fit to do so. Approaching us sometime in November is the beginning of the Holy month of fasting, or Ramadan. During Ramadan, Muslims all over the world abstain from food, drink and self-indulgence from dawn till dusk. This is a sacred time for the Muslim community where people are urged to come together in prayer and the exchange of charity and goodwill.

Muslim, Arabs suffer from terrorism

by Sidra Ahmad

September 11 will forever remain in our thoughts. The occurrences of that day were horrific. People all over the country were affected by the crashes and the thousands of lives lost. However, so many more people have been harassed and tormented because of the terrorist attacks. Hundreds of ignorant people roam the streets in America searching for someone new to assault. Many people out there are blinded by generalizations and stereotyping.

People still make assumptions about people because of the color of their skin. People used to joke about "Muslim Terrorists" and such. At that time it was all in jest. However, now many Americans are making such assumptions and blaming all Muslims that ever breathed. It didn't occur to anyone at the time of the Oklahoma City bombing that every

Christian should be blamed for what Timothy McVeigh did. Such is the case with the World Trade Center disaster.

Muslims everywhere are being persecuted for their beliefs and their faith. In Augusta, GA, the local mosque was vandalized and profane words were written everywhere. Yet, being the educated people that they are, the local churches and synagogues came together to clean up the mosque and help the members.

No matter how small the number of discriminatory and ignorant people is, it is still present. Prejudiced people everywhere are unleashing their anger on innocent people. Yes, there are people out there of every faith who are different from the rest. The extremists. The ones who take their religion one step too far. We must, however, step away from stereotyping and look at each person as an individual and not as part of a group.

International Students adjust to Wesleyan

by Sidra Ahmad

To go to another country for vacation is one thing. To go to another country for the next four years of your life is another. Many students arrived this year on August 18th to start a new life away from home. Forty-eight to be exact. That number is quite large compared to the total number of international students at Wesleyan, which is seventy-seven.

Several of the students feel right at home and have had no trouble settling down. Melanie

McIntosh is one such person, "I haven't had a hard time adapting to life here, but it depends on how you were raised and your exposure. It's more laid back here compared to my school in Jamaica. The biggest challenge was helping people understand what Jamaicans are really like aside from the stereotype."

However, not everyone is adapting easily. Many are missing their parents and yearning for a good home-cooked meal. Shraddha Barahi feels that "life here in America and Wesleyan in particular is very different.

Everything from the food to the way people live is different from Nepal and its ways."

Having to stay at school for long vacations or find somewhere to go can be very difficult and depressing. But the students at Wesleyan who have homes near by have been very welcoming and comforting to the international students. Jia Jia, a student from China, said, "When I first got here I found some difficulties because my school in China did not concentrate on English. But the teachers and students here are very kind and I don't feel lonely."

Personal Perspective: Muslim, Arab Prejudice

by Sarah Shearhouse

While I was watching the television on September 11, all I could think about was the terror and disbelief that I saw in everyone's eyes. It was not until the following day that I began to notice the side effects of the terrorism. No matter what our connections are to anyone in New York or Washington, DC, this tragedy has affected every one of us in a personal way.

The day after the attacks, my mother telephoned me with a word of caution about going out in public with my boyfriend. She was afraid that people might do harm to us because he is "brown."

He is actually Indian, but many people are ignorant of the fact that not all darker-skinned individuals are Arabs. Given my mother's tendency toward overreaction, I did not put much stock in her warning, but perhaps I should have.

I have always been vaguely aware that people do look at my boyfriend and me when we go out, but it has been simply because we belong to two different races. In the weeks since the attacks, the stares and whispers have been obvious to both of us. For example, the weekend after the 11th, we went to a car show at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. As we were walking past one group of particularly Southern individuals, I

heard one of them say "Afghanistan."

Usually, people keep their comments more to themselves, but the looks on their faces betray their thoughts. We cannot walk into any restaurant without attracting the attention of all the other guests, who pause their conversations and meals to stare at us until we are seated.

These are only a few examples of how things have changed for us since September 11th. I know that things may never be the same again, but I wish that people would be more cognizant of the way they treat those who are different from them. Being "brown" does not make a person a terrorist.



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Pirates continue FYS Retreat

by Elizabeth Santos

At 8:00 a.m. on September 14, 2001 the entire Red Pirate class of 2005 (except for the soccer players who had a game) left Wesleyan College for Camp Winshape in Rome, Georgia for two days and one night of sisterly bonding and outdoor fun. At the time of departure, excitement was in the air and the eager expressions on each Wesleyanne's face showed that they were all ready for their first break from the newly experienced pressures of college life. After the lengthy three-hour drive, the Red Pirates were thrown into a whirlwind of social activities meant to bring the classmates closer together. The first day's activities started with a warm welcome from the Camp Winshape staff. Then the first-year students were separated into groups and led by one instructor each through a series of stunts emphasizing teamwork, cooperation, and unity. One stunt involved a large teeter-totter on

which all the girls in the group needed to stand at the same time without causing one side to touch the ground. The highlight of the first day's activities was an evening meeting at the pavilion that incorporated many styles of dancing such as square dancing. Many of the Pirates can still be heard singing songs they learned that night at the pavilion in their dorms. The first night spent at Camp Winshape was much like a slumber party. Groups of girls gathered in each cabin for a late night session of conversation, mostly with girls whom they had not known previously. Pirate Vanessa Bianchi explained that it was "a great opportunity to get to know people who I had never seen or met before." This interaction between students who had not known each other before the trip lasted until the wee hours of the morning in most cabins. The second and last day of the trip began with a meeting of the FYS classes. Each FYS class met in a different location. Some met underneath

the clear blue sky and tall trees, others assembled in the gym, and one class did not gather and stay in any particular place, but instead went on a nature hike. The Pirates were then given a few hours of personal free time. One group of girls used that free time to take a hike up to the House of Dreams. The last day may not have been the most exciting or fun, but was a great way of relaxation before the Pirates once again had to board the buses to return to Wesleyan College. Pirate Tiffany Tomlin, who shared the view of many of Wesleyan's first-year students, thought that "it would be boring," but after the group activities and late-night talk fests, "had a lot of fun."



A group of Pirates enjoy a lunch break from the numerous team activities and sister bonding. The two day retreat was the first break of the Pirates' college career, and Wesleyan made sure to make it fun and adventuresome for the first-year class.

Wesleyan's First Annual Beach Clean-up

by Libby Garrett

On September 22, the Environmental Concerns Committee and members of Beta Beta Beta participated in what they hope will be the first annual Beach Clean-up. In the early hours of the morning, Jennifer Kerr, Namita Mohanty, Nisha Patel, Therese Tholkes, Elizabeth Garrett, and Asha Smith traveled to one of Savannah's beautiful barrier islands, Wassaw Island. Locals in the area donated their time, food, and the use of their boats to transfer the volunteers to the island in question. The Wesleyannes were just one of several groups that decided to help the coastal community by collecting all manners of trash. Therese Tholkes, a Golden Heart, enjoyed the day because it was "a great way to help the environment and relieve stress at the same time!" Purple Knight Nisha Patel agrees that

the day was a success and hopes "that Wesleyan College participates in beach cleanups in the future."

The beach clean up was just one of many projects for the Environmental Concerns Committee this year. Next on the agenda is a plan to start a recycling program. While the study lounges already collect white paper, the ECC hopes to expand to include cans and bottles. Members hope to get several bins from the physical plant for collection and set them up around campus to encourage students to recycle when they can. Other upcoming events include the annual Arboretum trail clean up, fundraising for the World Wildlife Fund, continuing clean-ups at the beach and the Macon area, and environmental awareness education seminars. Please contact Namita Mohanty if you would like to help the ECC or become a member.



The Pirate Class of 2005 wait for the special team building activities to begin. The First Year Seminar Retreat was cancelled last year during the Green Knights of 2004 first year. It was reinstated this year, taking most of the Pirates to Rome, Georgia.

Sororities, Sisterhood at Wesleyan

by Elizabeth Santos

Cloaked in darkness, twelve figures walk swiftly under the moonlit sky. Wrapped in heavy capes with their faces concealed by the shadow created by their hoods, they proceed to the furtive location where their monthly meetings convene. This is the scene most people imagine when secret societies are even hinted at. The first women's secret society, The Adelphean Society, was founded by Eugenia Tucker at Wesleyan College's campus on May 15, 1851. The word adelphean is derived from the Greek language

and means sister. From the meaning of its name one can assume that the society's ideals would be about loyalty and sisterhood and that the society's purpose would be to better each sister "morally, mentally, and socially." The major principles The Adelphean Society were founded on were scholarship, leadership, and service to others. After many years of meeting in secret, in 1904 the world's first female secret society decided to become a nationally recognized sorority. Its name changed from The Adelphean Society to Alpha Delta Phi and eventually to Alpha Delta Pi because of confusion with a fraternity of a similar name. The society's ideals remained the same:

sisterhood and loyalty. Now there are over 130 chapters of Alpha Delta Pi all over the United States. Although this nationwide sorority was founded at Wesleyan College, secret societies and sororities were abolished here in 1914 because they were found to be "contrary to the spirit of a democratic age." Replacing sororities came the practice of the sisterhood system which all Wesleyannes participate in today. Unlike in sororities, there is no hazing involved in sisterhood. Basically sisterhood creates the same strong bonds that were involved in sororities without the exclusiveness.



Georgia Sports Hall of Fame hosts Wesleyannes

On Nov. 6, 2001 hundreds of Wesleyannes of all classes convened at the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.

After a grueling week of pep rallies, color rush, class soccer and the annual banquet, the dance was a much needed ending. The location was fitting considering the end of the traditional two week period of intense class soccer games.

Rides to the dance began at 8pm with a shuttle running from Wesleyan approximately every 30 minutes until 10pm. The return shuttle started at eleven and ran for one and a half hours.

For many Wesleyannes the homecoming was a valid reason to visit some of the more expensive restaurants before the dance. Once there those of legal age also had the opportunity to intake of a variety of alcoholic beverages.

All around the hall people were enjoying themselves as they were dancing, talking or eating. Some

complaints arose about the behavior from some of the young ladies when they danced. A few references specifically being made towards "sexual behavior."

After enough people had arrived the announcement of homecoming court was made.

For the Pirate Class of 2005 Carman Valdez and Shara Turley were on court. The Green Knights were represented by Joanne Patterson and Julianna Cabrales. Danielle White and Jennifer Dunlap sat on court for the Golden Heart class. The graduating Purple Knight class was represented by Catherine O'Kelley, Megan Beene, Elsa George, Silla Summerlin, Taylor Johnson and Erika Stewart. After a moment of applause and cheering the Homecoming Queen was announced. In the end it was announced that Jody Swink was the elected Homecoming Queen for the 2001-2002 school year. A good time was had by all.



photo by Jennifer Calhoun

Jody Swink, left, poses with Elsa George after winning the elections that decide Homecoming Queen for the 2001-2002 school year.

For more Homecoming articles and pictures, please see pages three through four.

A List of Homecoming Winners for 2001-2002

Homecoming Court

Pirates
Carmen Valdez
Shara Turley

Green Knight
Joanne Patterson
Julianna Cabrales

Golden Hearts
Toosdhi (Danielle) White
Jennifer Dunlap

Purple Knights
Catherine O'Kelley
Megan Beene
Elsa George
Silla Summerlin
Taylor Johnson
Erika Stewart

Homecoming Queen
Jody Swink

MVP's
:Trista Dudich and Ericka Stewart
PK's;
Asha Smith GH;
Julianna Cabrales GK;
Kristen Goodson and Danielle Ducharme Ps

Most Spirited Players:
Jody Swink PK;
Namita Mohanty GH;
Erin Zinko GK;
Marnai Boose P

Soccer Cup: GKs

Soccer Spirit Cup: PKs

Homecoming Spirit Cup: Purple Knights, dedicated to the Golden Hearts and Pirates

Color Rush: Pirates
SGA Homecoming Spirit Stick: Pirates
Pirate Penny: Pirates

Compiled for students as a token for scrapbooks

Annual banquet heralds home Pirates of 2001

A hearty cheer rose up from the tables as Joanne Sales carried in the Pirate flag, leading in the returning Pirates of the class of 2001 on November 6, 2001 at the Annual Homecoming Banquet catered by ARAKMARK. The old Pirates once again led the school in the class cheers. The class presidents - Sidra Ahmad, Pirate 2005; Jessica Spurlock, Green Knight; Asha Smith, Golden Heart; Elsa George, Purple Knight - thanked the returning class and expressed their feelings towards their sister classes. After the dinner the distributing of the awards began, starting with class soccer.

For Most Spirited Players, Marnai Boose won for Pirates, Erin Zinko for Green Knights, Namita Mohanty - again - for the Golden Hearts, and Jody Swink for the Purple Knights. The Most Valuable Players of class soccer were Kristen Goodson and Danielle Ducharme for the Pirates,

Julianna Cabrales for the Green Knights, the Golden Heart class president Asha Smith, and Trista Dudich and Ericka "Stewie" Stewart for the Purple Knights. The sophomore and senior class won the main class soccer awards, with the Purple Knights earning

Mary Charlotte Young and Adriana Forrero, team captains for the GK Class. Despite the tensions that arose between the sophomores and seniors this year, the Purple Knights still cheered loudly for their little sisters.

The freshman Pirate class proved

Spirit Stick, and donated many pennies to a good cause for the Pirate Penny. However, it was the senior class who proved to know the most about homecoming and Wesleyan spirit. After winning the prized Homecoming Spirit Cup, the Purple Knights loudly decided

to dedicate the cup to the Golden Hearts and their new little sisters based on the kindly acts and sisterhood between the two classes. After the four classes presented their adapted versions of slow songs altered to include the ideals about Wesleyan and sisterhood, the Purple Knights

then sang the hallowed Senior Song, followed by song "I Will Remember You," which caused more than one tear among Green Knights who finally realized that it would be their Big Sisters who would return next year for the Homecoming Banquet.



photo by Libby Garrett

The Purple Knight class gathers to sing the traditional Senior Song

the Soccer Spirit Cup and the Green Knights fulfilling their class cheer by winning the Soccer Cup over. The competition for the Soccer Cup was especially fierce this year, with the Green Knights barely defeating their sister class. Going to accept the Soccer cup was

to have the most overall spirit during the homecoming season, as demonstrated by their winning Color Rush, SGA Homecoming Spirit Stick, and the Pirate Penny. The Pirate class blanketed the old soccer field to win Color Rush, sold many spirit grams for the

All for culture! Viva la France at Wesleyan!

by Shada El-Sharif

November 7th to 14th marked French week, and here at Wesleyan, the students did not let such an event pass! The French club took it upon themselves to devise a schedule of events to take place throughout the French week. The main purpose behind the program was to better acquaint students with the French culture and way of life.

French week kicked off on Wednesday Nov. 7th with a lecture at Mercer University. The speaker was Mr. Rene-Serge Marty, Consulate General de France, French Consulate in Atlanta, and the lecture was entitled "Present French-American Relations." Students from Mercer and Wesleyan were invited to attend this lecture and pose any questions they had in mind about current French-American relations, especially in light of the September 11 incident.

The following day, Wesleyan performed scenes from two French plays, *La Contatrice Chauve* by Ionesco, and *Tartuffe*

by Moliere. With a humble set, a few props and little over a month to practice, this group of girls were able to bring these French literary works to life. The plays were presented in English, but acted out in French. It was a taste of French culture that sealed the calendar of events for that Thursday.

A trip to Atlanta was scheduled to take place on Friday to watch a French movie there. It was being aired as part of the festivities of French Week. Unfortunately, the girls were not able to attend the movie in Atlanta, but got together for an evening of French movies right here at Wesleyan!

During the weekend, homecoming was the main event, so the French Club resumed activities on Tuesday. During lunch, people were invited to use the paint and poster boards to test their talent in Impressionistic painting. The finished work of art hangs proudly above the fire-place in the Anderson Dining Hall! This way, students had the opportunity to learn more about this French art form, first hand!

That same evening, the smell of freshly made popcorn filled the air as students gathered to watch the French comedy "Le Dinner de Cons", or in English "Dinner of Fools."

French week could not pass by without a tribute to French cuisine. The cafeteria staff at Wesleyan showed some cultural spirit as well, as they incorporated some French dishes in the menu throughout the week. From Crepes to Grilled Ham and Cheese, from Impressionistic Art to Moliere, Wesleyan was able to sample a taste of French culture in the first case, quite literally!

The French club is a fairly new club, and its members are trying to encourage active participation whether through its weekly conversation tables at the Hurdle Café (open for all interested every Thursday at 12:30), or events such as French Week. The president of the club, Volha Adamovich, expressed her happiness with all the achievements, and looks forward to more activities next year!

Coming Out Week arrives at Wesleyan

by Kristine Goodson

Last month, GLBAL once again celebrated Coming Out Week in order to show support and solidarity with the Wesleyan and Macon homosexual, bisexual and transsexual communities. Activities were numerous and included fountain-side chalkings, sticker making in the dining hall, a Lesbians Through the Century film series, and a candlelight vigil for AIDS victims. Participants wore rainbow colored clothing and discussed issues around the campus and on the online sisterhood message boards.

In the intellectual spirit of higher education, free speech is one of the most necessary rights to further learning and discovery. The open exchange of ideas will inevitably create conflict at times. However, when consensus appears to be impossible, this conflict can at least open the doors to discussion, understanding, and mutual respect for individuals and ideas.

We cannot live only for ourselves. A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow men; and among those fibers, as sympathetic threads, our actions run as causes, and they come back to us as effects.
-Herman Melville

CJA Alcohol Awareness Convocations gets help from Faculty and Staff

by Libby Garrett

On Thursday, October 25, the Council on Judicial Affairs held its annual convocation on alcohol awareness. In attendance were officers from the Macon Police Department and beloved professors Dr. Glenda Ferguson, and Kathy Thompson, demonstrating the effect of beer; Dr. Shelly Martin, demonstrating the effect of wine; and Dr. Matt Martin, demonstrating the effect of tequila.

CJA held the convocation to remind the students of Wesleyan's no tolerance policy of alcohol on campus and of Georgia's state law concerning drinking and driving, and drinking under the age of 21. The professors helped by performing coordination tests and taking Breathalyzer tests.

Anthrax: Why the band is changing its name

by Elizabeth Santos

Anthrax is currently mentioned in the news constantly because of the 17 cases of infection in New York, Kansas City, and several other locations. Many Americans are now taking precautions to avoid coming in contact with the bacteria, but many still do not even know what anthrax is, how it is contracted, how it is treated, or how to prevent it.

Anthrax is an often fatal disease associated with contact with farm animals and was rarely seen in the United States because of intensive livestock immunization programs until its use as a biological weapon. Anthrax still exists as a widespread disease in areas like Asia, Africa, and the Middle East. Anthrax is caused by the bacterium *Bacillus anthracis* and is seen in two forms: a skin form and a pulmonary form.

The skin form is transmitted through a break in the skin after having contact with a farm animal. Lesions form, and the dead skin crusts and eventually falls off. The infection may spread throughout the blood stream, causing shock, sweating, cyanosis, and collapse. This incidence happens in about 1 out of 100,000 infected people.

The pulmonary form of anthrax is transmitted through the inhalation of anthrax spores. As a result, the person infected contracts pneumonia that immediately causes respiratory distress that may be followed by death.

The skin form of anthrax is usually treated with antibiotics like penicillin, ciprofloxacin, and tetracycline. Penicillin is the most common treatment for the skin form of anthrax, but it must be given intravenously. Unfortunately, despite penicillin treatment and intensive care, 90 percent of those infected with the pulmonary form of anthrax die.

Before the cases of anthrax in the United States there was no advised prevention for the disease. However, the vaccine was offered to travelers going to countries where anthrax exposure was high. Now testing for anthrax is offered to any who believe they may be infected with the disease, but still no method of prevention is advised except not to open any suspicious pieces of mail to avoid coming in contact with the bacteria.

Anthrax as a Biological Weapon:

Anthrax is practically the perfect biological weapon. It is more lethal than the most deadly chemical warfare agent, is easy to produce, and easy to use as a weapon.

100 million doses of anthrax per gram are more than 100,000 times more fatal than the deadliest chemical warfare agent. Since anthrax spores are invisible, it is virtually impossible to suspect its presence, making anthrax even more deadly. Also, the pulmonary form of anthrax is used as a biological weapon, so almost all of the people infected will die.

Anthrax is easy to produce because of the widespread availability of the materials used to produce it. In addition, information about producing anthrax is easy to obtain and not very high tech, allowing it to be produced in large quantities. Last, anthrax can be utilized as a weapon easily because of its storing capabilities. Anthrax can be stored almost indefinitely as a powder and can be put in sprayers like crop dusters or aerosol cans after being freeze dried and sprayed over large areas.

Currently the United States has a limited detection capability of anthrax: There is a test conducted to verify the presence of the spores, but that is only productive if no one has been in contact with the spores beforehand. So, the ease of production, use as a weapon, and fatality anthrax make it the deadliest and perfect biological warfare agent.

Wesleyan introduced to the intranet through first online registration

by Elizabeth Santos

Wesleyan's first implementation of online registration took place during the week of October 22 through 26 for the Spring semester of 2002. Registration was divided into 5 days by semester hours, starting with the students with the most hours and ending with any students who still needed to register or change their schedule. According to Pat Hardeman, "Wesleyan had been working toward implementing an electronic [registration] system for several years." Finally, Wesleyan College has accomplished its goal of "streamlining the registration process for students."

The first attempt at online registration ran almost entirely smoothly. About 85 percent of the student body registered online, while the other 15 percent registered manually in the Registrars Office. The 15 percent who had to leave the comfort of their rooms to register probably encountered technical problems due to an overloading of the network and the difficulty of registering for classes like internships with vari-

able hours and night classes.

The most reported problem with online registration was the length of time it took for students to register at about midnight. Many students logged on at midnight to register in an attempt to enroll in classes that usually close quickly. The apparent overload of the system caused the registration process to slow and in some extreme cases to boot some students off of the site. Once booted off, a few students were unable to log on again. CRAs were available during the registration process to help the students who experienced problems.

Overall, Wesleyan's first attempt at running an online registration process was a success. More than 75 percent of the student body registered without even leaving their rooms and the only widely acknowledged problem was the overloading of the network. The online registration process was such a success that Wesleyan College will be using online registration for the registration in March and possibly for every registration following.

Join the Newspaper! Meetings held every Thursday at 9:15 in the Publications room (3rd floor Olive Swann Porter) room 301

Homecoming 2001...

Somehow, with minimum injuries, class soccer has once again passed successfully. The Green Knight's defeated their big sisters and won the soccer cup. It was a long week, with the Golden Hearts having to forfeit so many times and the Pirates not knowing what to do half the time.

The Purple Knight's enjoyed their last year participating in class soccer and played well. The Golden Hearts, although having to forfeit the majority of the time, played with spirit and enjoyed themselves. Though it was the first time for the Pirates, they played their hardest and showed their spirit in everything they did. Kristine Goodson said "class soccer was a lot of fun and allowed the Pirate class to show their spirit and we really appreciated the other classes showing us the ropes and the true meaning of sisterhood. Can't wait for next year."

The sophomore class used their experience from last year and all of their strength this year to take the cup and prove that they are truly grand. While mixing sisterhood and their stallion-like vigor, the Green Knight's proved that although they are only sophomores they can take on anyone, including the oh so Perfect Purple Knight's.

Stefanie Bethel summed it all up by saying, "From the sidelines I saw an extreme amount of spirit and sisterhood especially during the Purple Knight/Green Knight game. It was wonderful to see our sisters coming together."

Sidra Ahmad



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Beth Willford, right PK, and Adriana Forrero, GK, play during the Homecoming games early Saturday morning.



photo by Amanda Zagloba

Spectators look on as the final games for the soccer cup are played.

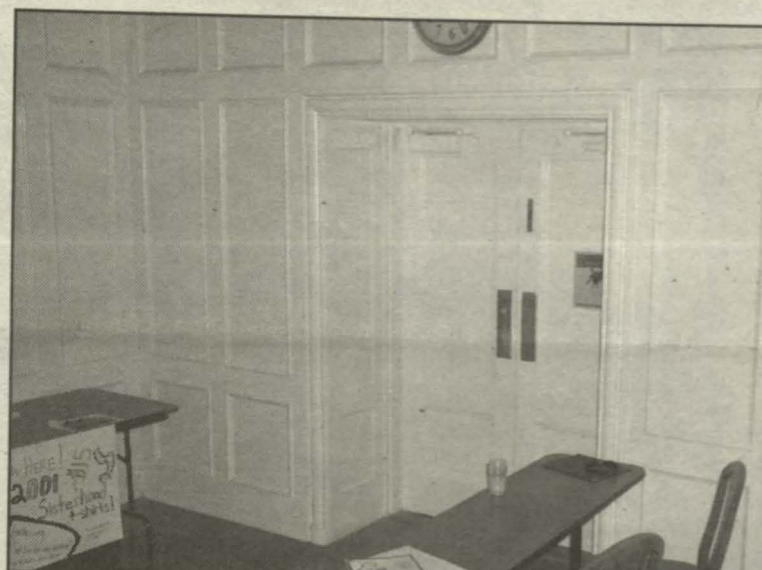


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Inside the cafeteria doors before the decorating begins Sunday night.



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Purple Knights Ebony Roberts, right, and Jennifer Calhoun straiten up the wall length banner.



photo by LaRhanda McTizic

Students rush to finish decorating the free for all wall so that they can finish the decorating the designated walls in the cafeteria as well as the front campus buildings



photo by LaRhanda McTizic

On the signal students rush in to begin decorating the free for all wall.

From beginning



photo by Amanda Zagloba
Purple Knights participate sing in their last Homecoming pep rally.



photo by Amanda Zagloba
The Pirate Class of 2005 pose for a picture after they win Color Rush



photo by Amanda Zagloba
Members of the Pirate class prepare decorations for to welcome in their namesakes Class of 2001 and before.



photo by Libby Garrett
The Purple Knight class accepts the Spirit Cup



photo by Stephanie Newell
Jody Swink, PK, prepares for Color Rush



photo by Amanda Zagloba
Maria Williams, SRC president, announces the Color Rush Winners



photo by Libby Garrett
Green Knights accept the Soccerr cup



photo by Libby Garrett
Pirate class of 2001 march in at the banquet



photo by Libby Garrett
The Spirit Cup is dedicated to the Golden Heart and Pirate class

On November 10, 2001, Wesleyan College held its annual Homecoming dance at the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame in downtown Macon. The dance was open to all Wesleyan students and their dates. After the active Homecoming week, full of spirit activities and competitions, the dance was a way to relax, let loose, and have some fun. According to those interviewed about the dance, it was fun, but some slight changes would have made it a full success.

According to Tameka Richardson, the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame was not an appropriate location for the occasion. Her opinion was that it was an "awkward location to have a Homecoming." She supported her opinion through examples like the small number of tables and the distance of the tables from the dance floor. But differing in opinion was Vanessa Bianchi, who thought the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame was a great location because "if people were bored they could tour the Hall of Fame." The Hall of Fame included many activities that people who were not fond of dancing could enjoy, like an area to play basketball, a machine that measures reaction time, and a balancing beam. There were also mixed reviews about the turnout. Stephanie Samuels thought there were too few people and even suggested that more colleges should be invited to add to the number of people who attend. On the other hand, Katie Riggs stated that the number of people at the Homecoming "was just right." She thought that it was not too crowded or too empty. The dance floor was not very large, so a larger number of people may have crowded the area and less people could have created an isolated atmosphere.

The D.J. was one aspect that those interviewed could agree on. All interviewed thought the D.J. was "not up to expectations." A male guest, Brenton Harrison, thought the D.J. should be more "young and hip" so he could relate to the audience better and would only play music that would be enjoyable to the age group the audience represented. The repetition of some songs also added to the discontent with the D.J.

In general, the Wesleyan students who attended the 2001 Homecoming had fun, but saw a few ways to improve the success of the dance.

Elizabeth Santos



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Purple Knight Class of 2002



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Golden Heart Class of 2003



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Pirate Class of 2001



photo by Jennifer Calhoun
Green Knight class of 2004

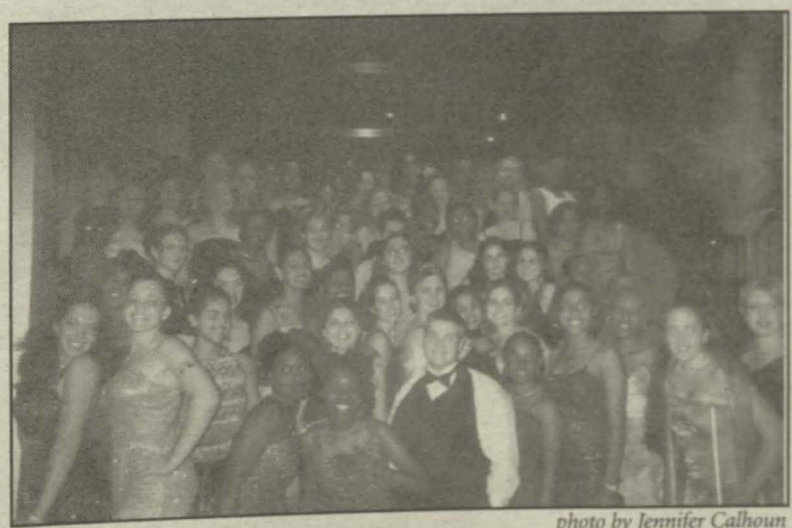


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Pirate Class of 2005

...to end

"PILFERED DREAMS"

WITH A BROKEN HEART,
SHE WANDERED THROUGH LIFE
SOULESS AND LOST,
VOID OF LIGHT AND LIFE.
SHE IS YOUR CREATION,
YOUR MASTERPIECE,
PAINTED IN THE COLOURS OF SADNESS;
FEATURES ETCHED IN PAIN.

HEARTLESS AND LONLEY,
YOU LEFT HER TO LIFE'S HARDSHIPS.
CARRYING IN YOUR BACK POCKETS
HER HOPES AND CARES,
SHE IS BUT A LIFELESS FIGURE,
A SPECTRAL CREATURE BEFORE OUR EYES.

WITH HER TRAGIC SMILE
AND HOPELESS VIGOUR,
SHE IS YOUR ARTWORK,
YOUR SCULPTURE OF STILLNESS
VARNISHED IN MISERY.

BRING BACK THE HEART YOU STOLE
YOU PILFERER OF DREAMS,
BRING BACK THE HEART YOU CRUSHED IN YOUR
HASTE TO LEAVE.

GIVE UIS BACK THE GIRL WE ONCE KNEW
WHO DREAMT IN COLOURFUL HUES.

KAHLEEL HAMILTON

"BARELY BREATHING"

I SIT BARELY BREATHING AS THE WORLD
PASSES ME BY,
WATCHING AS LIFE GOES ON WITHOUT ME.
I HEAR THE DEAFENING SILENCE OF MY WORLD
AND FEEL THE EMPTINESS IT HOLDS.
I REACH OUT TO TOUCH HAPPINESS
BUT IT TRANSCENDS ME.

I TRY TO FIND MYSELF WITHIN THIS CÖCOON,
NEVER LEAVING ITS PROTECTIVE WALLS.
TOO AFRAID TO TOUCH LIFE,
AFRAID TO LOVE MYSELF AND BE LOVED,
SCARED TO BE ME.
SO I SIT IN MY LONELY SPACE
ANTICIPATING MY EMERGENCE
INTO THE WORLD;
BARELY BREATHING.

KAHLEEL HAMILTON



In the tradition of Southern belles

We can feel the pain

By Alice Mendoza Jones

IT took just a few hours for life, as Americans knew it, to be shattered forever.

Where I am now, about two hours' flight from New York City, preparations for war have begun.

Knowing how safe Singapore is, and I being the only Singaporean on the campus, a hallmate told me: "Geez, I wish I was from Singapore!"

It is not a reflection on patriotism, which is very high now - it's more like a I-wish-it-was-safe-and-this-didn't-happen sentiment.

"Hey, sweetie, this is home for me too," I countered.

"Yeah, girl, ya'll in this — together with us — ain't no way ya'll can go home, at least for now!"

I was lost, frankly.

I am not American, but I am in the US, and this is my temporary home. How am I supposed to react, apart from the initial disbelief and sadness? And this war business — what's next?

Though everyone wants to bring the terrorists to justice, not everyone is comfortable with war. Most seem to think that violence

begets violence.

Terrorism affects everyone. Any one of the victims could have been Singaporeans living or working abroad. So, of course, I am all for going after the terrorists.

At the back of my mind, however, there are questions, foremost of which is whether they would get the right perpetrators?

Sometimes I feel as if my opinions, thoughts, and feelings don't really matter.

Singapore is so far away, so tiny — and they would probably be thinking — "It's not gonna affect ya'll - at least not directly! Your sons and daughters are not going to war - you are not going to lose or have lost a friend, father, mother, husband, wife, daughter, son, cousin, niece or nephew. How do you know how it feels?"

Perhaps it's not how Americans think; perhaps it's just that I feel I can't really contribute much. Or perhaps the anger has been replaced by an overwhelming grief.

In the South especially, the grief is even more marked because of the small-town atmosphere.

The history of the South is taint-

ed by slavery and racism, but the people here are so friendly and welcoming, especially to newcomers.

It is a shock for some to realize the extent of hatred some people have for the US. So, even though private individuals might be anti-war, they are pro-government.

But this is my home for now, where we are all one family, regardless of our skin colour, nationality, religious or cultural backgrounds.

And despite our differences in opinion, we grieve together.

Many of us are anxious that war will unleash more suffering, but how else can we get the attackers?

I wish I had an answer, but I don't.

These are the difficult questions troubling not just American decision-makers, but the ordinary American, and this disturbed Singaporean living a quiet, albeit very busy life, as a non-traditional aged student, in the oldest college in the world for women.

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A few deep thoughts in the Deep South

I'll be the first to admit it — I say "ya'll." I say it a lot. And even though I was born in Germany and lived there for half of my life, I consider myself a Southerner. However, despite of these facts, I still have reservations about Wesleyan's new advertising campaign.

Wesleyan's newest advertising has been a tongue-in-cheek focus on the school's southern charm and drawl. In fact, there are so many puns on the word "drawl" that I lost count. If you have gone to the school's web site or picked up an admissions brochure, you surely understand what I mean. Most of these little southern play-on-words are cute, although mildly annoying if not insulting. Being the well-educated Wesleyanne that I am, I understand that these little "drawlisms," as I will call them, are sarcastic and not meant to be taken seriously. My main complaint with the drawlisms lies with the fact that not everyone understands

sarcasm.

Although I am now used to the strange glances I receive from people after announcing that I attend a woman's college, they used to bother me my freshman year. Most people ask why I want to attend a "girl's school." To the average person, women as well as men, the common perception of a woman's college is an antiquated idea of a southern girl's finishing school and that in between classes for my major I take my mandatory lessons in manners, home ec., and cosmetics.

What does this have to do with the advertising campaign you may ask? Everything! Although the drawlisms are cute, I beseech Wesleyan to please consider how they reflect on the school. To the people who are already misguided about what a woman's college is really like, these drawlisms do nothing to clear up this confusion; they just reinforce the stereotype that we are, in fact, brainless southern

belles. When I decided to attend Wesleyan I didn't know that one of the hardest parts would be having people not take me seriously. When I apply to medical school in a few years I want people to realize the caliber of education I received and not think of my drawl or my southern charm.

While I understand that the campaign cannot be changed for now, I do hope that a different approach will be used next year. To me, it seems paradoxical to laud our outstanding ratio of international students in the same breath that we discuss "Our Southern charm." Admittedly, I do not know the first thing about advertising technique, but it seems to me that if we as a woman's college can do its part to remove the stigma of a "girl's school" attached to Wesleyan, that will recruit more new students than any pithy ad campaign.

Libby Garrett

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Community Announcements / Events: What to do in Macon

Many students at Wesleyan walk around in a daze as they try to figure out what there is to do in Macon. For most the answer is an astounding "Nothing." However the community events section is meant to enable students to start looking outside the bubble. Hopefully some of the featured events will allow students to become resourceful and productive community members outside of Wesleyan.

For those with an environmental bent tryout the Macon Museum of Art and Science in December: **BROWN'S MOUNT HIKES** December 8

Day Hikes 10 am-1 pm ~ Evening Hikes 7-9 pm

Choose a day or evening hike and climb to the summit of Brown's Mount for an exciting view of the Ocmulgee floodplain. Evening hikes include telescopic views of the night sky, weather permitting. \$3 Museum members, \$5 non-members. Pre-payment required. Call for directions.

Anyone who already has a membership to the Museum should check this out:

MUSEUM STORE MEMBER HOLIDAY SHOPPING NIGHT Thursday, December 6 5:30 -

7:30 p.m.

Are you a Friend, Patron, Benefactor or President's Roundtable member of the Museum? Join us on December 6, for an exclusive night of holiday shopping. Receive 25% off all of your purchases and meet Chuck Leavell, noted Macon musician, who will be autographing CDs and his new book *Forever Green* from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Upgrade your Individual or Family membership to Friend or above and receive an invitation to this fun shopping night.

For more information call: (478) 477-3232 or email: info@masmacon.com

Those Wesleyan's that are interested in watching hockey or just hot guys on ice may want to check out the Macon Whoopee their next home games are as follows:

NOVEMBER

17 (Sat.) Columbia 735pm

18 (Sun.) Greensboro 505pm

23 (Fri.) Mobile 735pm

30 (Fri.) Augusta 735pm

For more information call: (478) 741-1000

All information was obtained from websites belonging to the individual companies.

BEYOND COLLEGE PREP NOTES

Information for undergraduate testing

As juniors and seniors prepare to enter schooling beyond Wesleyan, they may find themselves awash in acronyms. The GRE, LSAT, MCAT, GMAT, and the DAT are a few of the tests that students may be preparing for, or may have already completed. Here is a crash course in a few of the many tests.

GRE: Graduate Record Examination. This test measures a student's verbal, analytical, and quantitative skills, and is required for entrance into graduate school. The test runs about 3 and 1/2 hours.

GMAT: Graduate Management Admissions Test: The GMAT is similar to the SAT in that it also has a verbal, mathematical, and writing section, totaling about 3 1/2 hours. Those applying to business school need this test.

LSAT: Law School Admissions Test: As the name implies, this is for law students. It tests a student's logical reasoning, reading comprehension, writing skills, and also has an experimental section. Again, the test is about 3 1/2 hours in length.

MCAT: Medical College Admissions Test: It's for students interested in medical school. It is more specialized than many tests in the fact that test-takers must have knowledge in biology, physics, general and organic chemistry, along with reasoning skills, problem solving, and writing skills. The MCAT weighs in at a tiring 6 hours.

DAT: Dental Admissions Test: Future dentists need this test, and they should study for four little mini-tests: Survey of Natural Sciences, Perceptual Ability, Reading Comprehension, and Quantitative Reasoning, all of which take, total, about 4 hours and 15 minutes.

PCAT: Pharmacy College Admissions Test: This test is for pharmacy students. Like the MCAT, the PCAT demands knowledge of biology and chemistry, along with verbal and quantitative ability, and reading comprehension. The test takes 3 1/2 hours.

VCAT: Veterinary College Admissions Test: This used to be the standard test for veterinary schools. Now schools look more for GRE scores, so one should make sure to find the exact needs for the school she wants to apply to.

OAT: Optometry Admission Test: All students wanting to be optometrists must take this school for admission. The test is almost 4 hours, and is composed of sections on natural sciences, physics, reading ability, and quantitative comprehension.

For additional information on these tests please contact an advisor in the appropriate area, the student center, or the website www.kaptest.com

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Keeping up with events

Airplane Crash

A suburb in Queens, New York was again rocked by calamity when American Airlines flight 587 crashed, killing all 260 people aboard. FAA officials believe the crash was the result of wake turbulence caused by an airplane that took off less than 2 minutes before the American Airlines flight, but they are not totally eliminating the idea of terrorism as a contribution to the crash.

Workers Released

On Thursday, Anti-Taliban sympathizers freed eight Western aid workers, thus allowing them to return home after being kept captive in Taliban controlled prisons for more than three months of the grounds that the workers, hailing from Germany, Australia, and the United States, tried to convert Muslims to Christianity. The workers are all resting comfortably.

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Vets On the Lookout

Veterinarians are being asked by the Center for Disease Control to look carefully for any signs of anthrax in animals. The CDC believes that incidences of anthrax in animals may prove to be precursors of widespread bio terrorism.

Sesame Street Wins

Lee P. McPhatter Jr. received a year of probation after a judge convicted him of simple assault. The event that triggered this conviction was McPhatter's actions towards E. Jennie McNelis, who was wearing a Cookie Monster costume at the time. McPhatter claims that McNelis refused to pose with his daughter for a picture, and then pushed the little girl. McPhatter then proceeded to kick, punch, and knock down McNelis, still in costume. McNelis

required two months in physical therapy after the event.

Funds for Babies

The House of Representatives passed a measure allotting funds in the amount of 305 million annually to states who wish to set up programs to save abandoned infants. These "safe havens" were created to allow mothers to abandon newborns in safe places without risking prosecution. Senate has yet to pass the bill.

Harry Potter

The movie based on J. K. Rowling's popular book *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* will open on Friday, November 16. Many theaters, eager to bring in profits, have a 12:01 am showing early Friday morning.

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Shenandoah returns with the Bright Heaven of Invention Troupe

Troupe performs Henry V and Comedy of Errors

by Shada El-Sharif

Wesleyan students were in for a theatrical treat on the two nights of Monday and Tuesday, November 5th and 6th. The black walls of the Grassman Studio Theatre encompassed live performances of two of Shakespeare's most famous plays: *Henry V* and *The Comedy of Errors*. The actors were a group from Shenandoah Shakespeare. All were members of the Bright Heaven of Invention tour group. At the end of their second performance, I was fortunate enough to conduct an interview with this fascinating group of young actors, who succeeded at capturing the dramatic essence of Shakespeare.

Before the actual interview with the actors, their Assistant Director, John Maness was kind enough to shed some light on the history of Shenandoah. In 1988, Ralph Alan Cohen (the current Executive Director of SS) and his pupil Jim Warren decided to organize a performance of Shakespeare's *Richard III*. Ever since then, Shenandoah has been recruiting eligible actors to perform on tour for periods of 10 months each. Mr. Maness explained how Ralph Cohen "wanted to experiment with Elizabethan staging conditions to see if that would illuminate things in Shakespeare's text, and it did." He also added that Jim Warren "had the idea to start this company, and over the course of 13 years it has grown into a sort of mammoth project. We have three tours going out all year round and a new, indoor, Elizabethan replica playhouse."

The eleven actors then introduced themselves, and added a little bit of biographical informa-



photo by LaRhanda McTizic

Actors From Shenandoah Shakespeare troupe start to strike the set after Monday's performance of *Henry V*.

tion. One of the seven male actors, Benjamin Curns, told us how he came from an education background and had been a high school teacher before becoming an actor on tour. Ms. Chaya Gordon had been acting professionally for 3 years, and going on regional tours. She noted how she thinks "all actors need another job!" Her "other jobs" includes electrics and lighting. Ms. Gordon has a degree in chemistry, proving that science students can also have a fun and creative side!

Where college is concerned, all of the actors hold a college degree. Christopher Zorker, holds his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree (BFA) from Auburn University in Alabama, and Stephen Pauley

earned his from Syracuse University. Other universities the actors attended for graduate or undergraduate education include Pennsylvania Uni., Florida School of the Arts, San Diego State Uni., U of New York and Yale.

Lindsay Allen, one of the four female performers of this group, attended a women's college. She explained, however, the differences between her college experience and how she would expect it to be at a women's college like Wesleyan. She explained: "it's a women's college at Columbia University, so it's a college within a larger university. There were males living in our dorms and [I] definitely had guys in my classes. We did not get a lot of the benefits

that you would get from a woman's college, but I'm an outspoken woman I guess, so I don't know if I would attribute that to my college career. I think if I really wanted a woman's college, I would probably go to a school like this, as opposed to one in the middle of New York City."

Wesleyan has a very active theatre department, as is evident from the success of its last production *A Piece of My Heart*. For those students who are interested to know what it takes to be part of such an acting group, I posed that question to the Shenandoans. Robert McClure, who played *Henry V* in Monday's performance, explained: "You have to be at least 21 years old to audition for the company. I also think what's great about the company is that they accept people who have all kinds of training and people who just want to perform Shakespeare." To that, Ms. Heather Murdock, who played Adriana, wife of Antipholus in *The Comedy of Errors*, added "I've heard it said that one of the requirements is a college degree, but not necessarily a theatre degree." Chaya Gordon explained how the company searches for people "that don't just have talent in acting, but are skilled in other areas. We're an ensemble and we do everything. It's us and the company manager." In agreement, Dennis Henry added that "it also helps to have musical skills."

Those who were fortunate enough to attend these performances will remember the modern-day songs this group sang, to the sound of the guitar played by Ed Roggenkamp and Benjamin Curns.

During the interview, one of our Wesleyan students, Dannielle Hires, posed this question "What's the strangest thing you've ever encountered, since you do have audience participation? Do people do strange things? How do you deal with it?" The actors mentioned how at times during some performances, especially in high schools, some girls would shout out at the actors. When asked if they were ever distracted by such comments, Chaya was quick to respond: "No, I think we love them!" "It gives us something new to work off of whenever people bring something in," added Lindsay Allen.

In some of his plays, Shakespeare included the audience and Shenandoah actors remain true to the purpose. Benjamin Curns explains "with every new town that we go to, we get different audiences and different reactions. The thing about audience participation is that we have to react to what they do. We have to acknowledge that they've given us something, and what they give us is always different."

Many of us have struggled at one point in time to understand Shakespeare. For these actors, how difficult is it to understand Shakespeare, let alone memorize and perform it? Tiffany Givens explains it beautifully "Shakespeare is actually easier to memorize because there's rhyme and structure to it. And iambic pentameter, it's like your heartbeat, it's a rhythm that's very natural to English. We've lived with these words for so long that it comes naturally to us now, but it takes time."

For people who dedicated so much time for Shakespeare, it was interesting to find out their favorite Shakespearean piece of work. *Macbeth*, or "The Scottish Play" as Curns put it, got five votes. Robert and Michael opted *Hamlet*, which tied with *Henry V* for two votes from Heather and Ed. *Richard III*, *Titus Andronicus* and *Romeo and Juliet* received a vote each. For those two nights at least, it would have been *Henry V* and *The Comedy of Errors* for me!



photo by LaRhanda McTizic

Actors from the Bright Heaven Troupe take a minute to relax and answer a few questions after their performance of *Comedy of Errors* Tuesday night.

For more information:
www.shenandoahshakespeare.com